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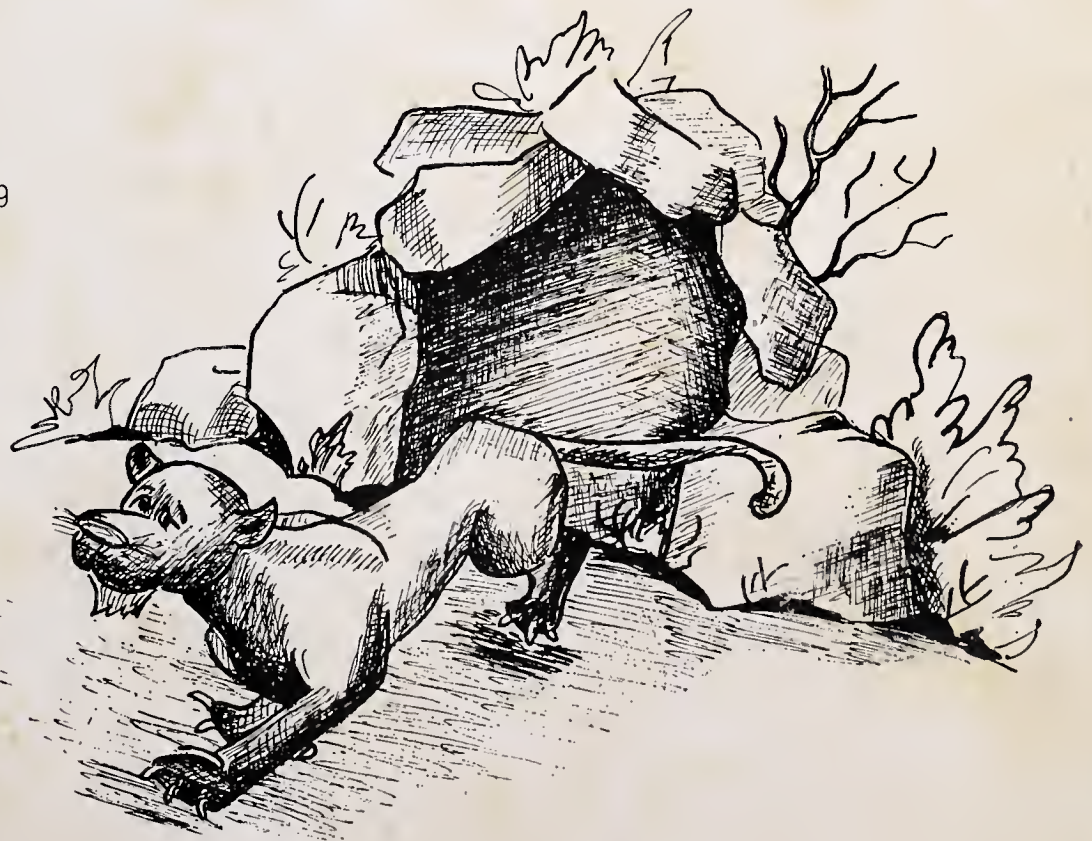




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*From the Panthers' Lair*

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Chester Township  
High School  
North Manchester, Ind.



# HOME “Lair” OF

## *Forward*

In these reflections from the Panthers' Lair, the Senior Class presents in picture and in story the activities of Chester High School in 1949. It is our hope that you, the students and friends of our school, may live again the happy years at Chester as you turn these pages.

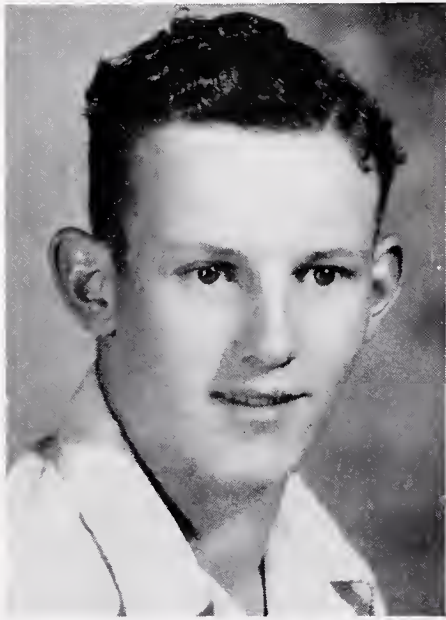




# *THE PANTHERS*







## *Dedication*

*To the Memories of  
Our Classmates  
Max Frieden and George Poer*

*Their smiles and good natures will always  
have a place in our minds.*

*Being made perfect in a short space, they  
fulfilled a long time.*

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## *Classes*



We grumble about assignments and the hard work successful scholarship demands. In spite of all our complaints though, we appreciate these opportunities and recognize how important school really is in our lives.



# Seniors

## Senior History

Back in '45, a group of thirty-three greenhorns entered Chester High School. Officers elected were: Ronald Metzger, president; Gene Metzger, vice-president; and Virginia Brandenburg, secretary-treasurer. We had two parties to remember—a hayride and a skating party. Tragedy struck that year when Max Frieden died. He will never be forgotten. Sponsoring the class were Miss Eshelman and Mr. Dilling.

The next fall the doors were thrown open and thirty-one students returned as sophomores. That year we elected Jack Kissinger, president; Tom Dillman, vice-president; and Coleen Warren, secretary-treasurer. Our class parties were a scavenger hunt in the fall and a skating party in the spring. Miss Stone and Mr. Scribner were our sponsors.

In '47, thirty-two juniors decided to buckle down and raise money for their senior trip. To guide the class through the year, we picked Virginia Brandenburg, president; Wayne Clark, vice-president;

Barbara Barker, secretary; and Tom Dillman, treasurer. Miss Gongwer and Mr. Metzger served us as sponsors. The highlights of the year were: a bowling party, a skating party, receiving our class rings, selling at basketball games, the three-act comedy "The Inner Willy", and the Junior-Senior Reception at Beaver Dam. Tragedy struck again this year with the death of George Poer. He, too, will never be forgotten.

Thirty members enrolled for their last year of high school. We elected Tom Dillman, president; John Penrod, vice-president; Marlene Schroll, secretary; and Janet Metzger, treasurer.

Our sponsors were Miss Gongwer and Mr. Smith. This year we joined the juniors in a skating party, presented a three-act comedy, "Miss Jimmy," and sold magazine subscriptions to make more trip money. After twelve years of steady work, we were not only ready for our class trip but also for our trip into the world.



Lois Cunningham, John Penrod, Janet Metzger, Tom Dillman, Marlene Schroll.

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# 1949

**Tom Dillman, Carl Bechtold, Wayne Clark, Marie Betten, Louella Blocher, Barbara Barker.**



**Barbara Barker** "He came, he saw, he was conquered."

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2; Chester Chatter Staff 4; Class Secretary 3; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Librarian 2.

**Carl Bechtold** "It might be better if I would, But it's awful lonesome being good."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Track 3, 4; "The Inner Willy" 3; Annual Staff 4 (Calendar Chairman); Dairy Judging 1.

**Marie Betten** "Never known to be excited, hurried or flurried."

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Class Historian Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 4; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4.

**Wayne Clark** "They say he is bashful but you never can tell."

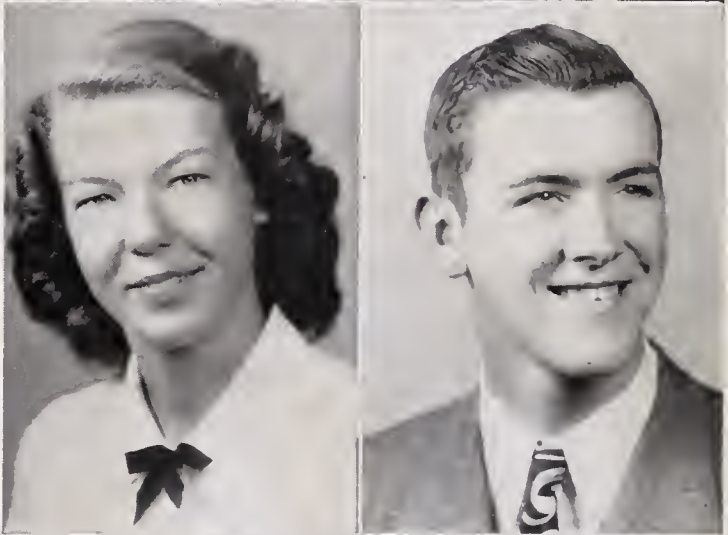
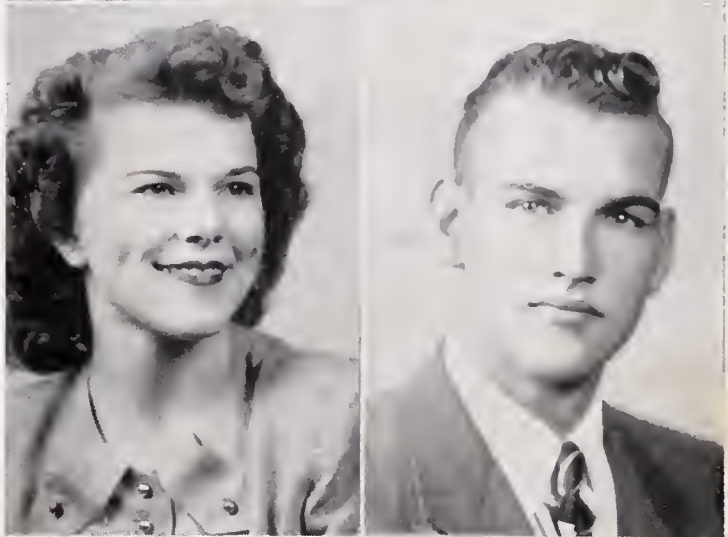
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Softball 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Class Vice President 3; Annual Staff 4 (Clubs Chairman).

**Louella Blocher** "A likeable personality — quiet until you know her."

Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Jokes Editor); "The Inner Willy" 3 (Prompter); "Miss Jimmy" 4 (Prompter); Librarian 2, 3.

**Tom Dillman** "He is steadily climbing the ladder of success."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Swing Band 2, 3; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Class President 4; Class Treasurer 3; Student Council 4; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Track 1, 2; Basketball 2; Algebra Contest 1; Geometry Contest 2; Annual Staff 4 (Play Write-Ups Chairman).

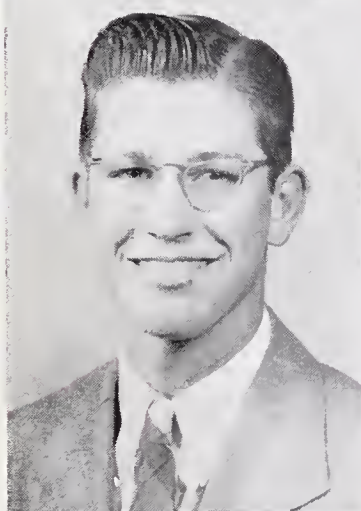




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**Charles Fleck, Betty Brandenburg, Charles Gibbs, Darletta Cox, Virginia Brandenburg, Jack Kissinger.**

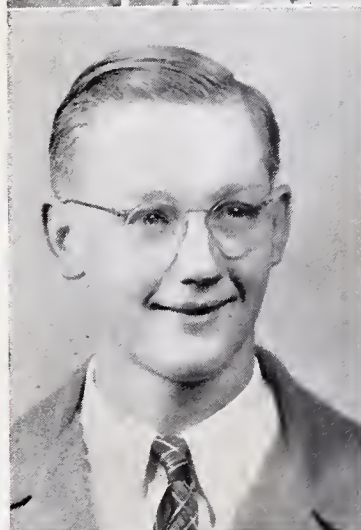


**Charles Fleck** "A jolly lad, full of fun;  
He's always friendly to everyone."

Entered 3; Hi-Y 3, 4; F. F. A. 3, 4; 4-H 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Assistant Editor); Track 3, 4; Student Manager 4; Poultry Judging 3, 4; Dairy Judging 3; Vegetable Judging 3.

**Betty Brandenburg** "Full of pep, full of fun, never quiet, always on the run."

Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; (Publicity Chairman 3, Secretary 4; Annual Staff 4 (Senior Write-Ups Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Editor-in-Chief); Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Librarian 4.

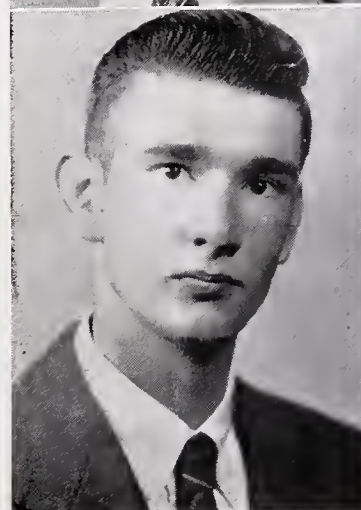


**Charles Gibbs** "His grin is broad from ear to ear."

Entered 2; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Boys' Glee Club; Hi-Y 3, 4; F. F. A. 3, 4; 4-H 3, 4; Softball 3; Student Manager 4; Track 4; Basketball 3, 4; Poultry Judging 3, 4.

**Virginia Brandenburg** "A mind full of knowledge is a mind that never fails."

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Majorette 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (Music Chairman 3); 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; (Twp. Treasurer 2, 3, 4); Annual Staff 4 (Prophecy Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 3, 4 (Sports Writer); Class Secretary and Treasurer 1; Class President 3; Student Council 3 (Secretary); "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Librarian 2, 3, 4; Class Scholarship 2; Ensemble Contest 2, 3; Twirling Contest 3.



**Jack Kissinger** "The force of his own merit makes his way."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4 (Vice President 3, President 4); F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Secretary and Treasurer 3, Vice President 4); Annual Staff 4 (Editor); Class President 2; Student Council 2; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Softball 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; Livestock Team 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2, 3, 4 (Secretary and Treasurer 3, President 4.)

**Darletta Cox** "What her heart thinks, her tongue speaks."

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Solo Contest 4; Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Feature Writer); Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (Service Chairman 4); 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4.



# 1949

**Carolyn Garrison, Marilyn Garrison, Lois Cunningham, Gene Metzger, Jim Klutz, Ronald Metzger.**



**Lois Cunningham** "A girl who is a whiz on skates,  
And always has plenty of dates."

Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Glee Club, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 2); Annual Staff 4 (Circulation Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 4; Class Reporter 4; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Librarian 1.

**Jim Klutz** "He's one of those people no one  
knows anything about."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Softball 4; 4-H 2.



**Carolyn Garrison** "A maiden with a giggle, a  
splash of wit, And then a thunder of  
argument."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Solo Contest 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Music Organizations Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Art Editor); County Spelling Contest 3.

**Gene Metzger** "Have a good time while you're  
alive for you'll be dead a long time."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Advertising Chairman); Softball 4; Student Manager 4; Class Vice President 1.



**Marilyn Garrison** "An enthusiasm and a smile  
which are contagious."

Band 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; Chester Chatter Staff 4.



**Ronald Metzger** "A blush may be becoming but  
it's often inconvenient."

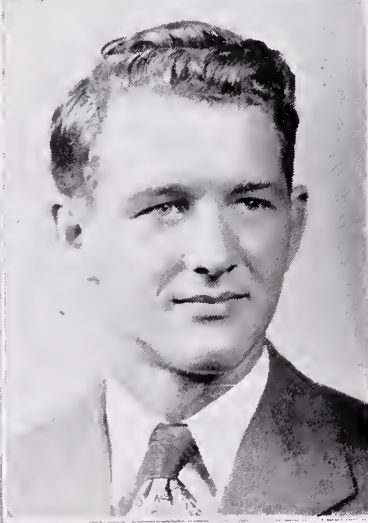
Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Business Manager); Class President 1; Track 2, 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Livestock Judging 1, 2, 3, 4.



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**Don Mosher, Janet Metzger, John Penrod, Norma Graham, Pauline Hippensteel, Bruce Pottenger.**

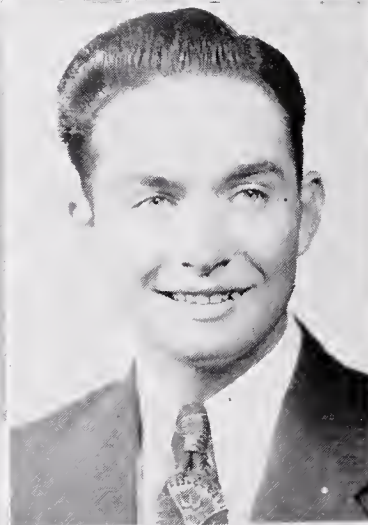


**Norma Graham** "He floats upon the river of my thoughts."

Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; 4-H 2, 3, 4 (President 2, 3, 4); Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Business Manager); Entered 1.

**Don Mosher** "I profess to know how women's hearts are wooed and won."

Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Boys' Glee Club 4 (President); Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4 (Snapshot Committee Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 3 (Class Reporter, Hi-Y Reporter); "The Inner Willy" 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4 (State Meet 3); Baseball 2; Student Manager 1; Softball 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4.

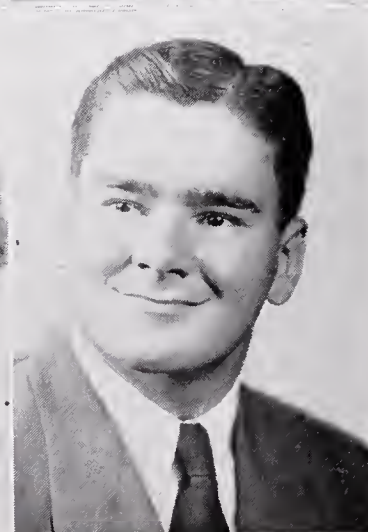


**Pauline Hippensteel** "She is gentle, she is shy, But there is mischief in her eye."

Mixed Chorus 4; Glee Club 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (Social Chairman 3, Treasurer 4); Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Art Editor); Librarian 3.

**John Penrod** "I'd rather be a good farmer than President."

4-H 1, 2, 3, 4 (Secretary 4); F. F. A. 1, 2, 3, 4 (Treasurer 4); Patrol Boy 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 2, 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Class Vice President 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Algebra Contest 1; Geometry Contest 2; Livestock Judging 1, 2, 3, 4; Vegetable Judging 3; 4; State Scholarship Contest 4.



**Janet Metzger** "I'll do as I please and no one can make me do otherwise."

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Majorette 1, 2, 3; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4; 4-H 2; Chester Chatter Staff 4; Class Treasurer 4; "The Inner Willy" 3.

**Bruce Pottenger** "Too much thinking weakens a person. I'm strong and healthy."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3; Annual Staff 4 (Sports Chairman).



# 1949

**Marlene Schroll, Coleen Warren, Ann Snavelly,  
Bob Snell, Theron Rupley, Lee Dick Reiken.**

**Marlene Schroll** "A place in the ranks awaits her."

Mixed Chorus 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (Vice President 3); 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 3, 4); Class Scholarship 1, 3; D. A. R. Award 4; Annual Staff 4 (Last Will and Testament Chairman); Class Secretary 4; "The Inner Willy" 3; "Miss Jimmy" 4; Librarian 2, 3, 4.

**Lee Dick Reiken** "Nice smile, nice ways, and a nice fellow."

Hi-Y 2, 3; Track 2, 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4.

**Ann Snavelly** "Quiet, modest, unassuming; For her a bright future we are presuming."

Mixed Chorus 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4 (President 4); Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (Ways and Means Chairman 4); 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4 (President 4); Annual Staff 4 (Faculty Chairman); Librarian 4.

**Theron Rupley** "A jolly good sport at heart, Always willing to do his part."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Coleen Warren** "She's happy, she's gay, she drives care away."

Mixed Chorus 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4 (Secretary-Treasurer 3); Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Swing Band 3; Y-Teen 2, 3, 4 (President 4); 4-H 2, 3; Annual Staff 4 (Typing Chairman); Chester Chatter Staff 4 (Assistant Editor); Class Secretary-Treasurer 2; "The Inner Willy" 3; Ensemble Contest 3.

**Bob Snell** "I find mischief much like a mouse trap — Easy to get into but hard to get out of."

Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; F. F. A. 3, 4; 4-H 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Basketball 3.



# *Last Will and Testament*

We, the Seniors of '49, about to leave these happy surroundings, make the following bequests:

## I

To the Juniors we will our charm and ability to sell magazine subscriptions. They will need both.

To the Sophomores we will the hope that they will not always be as now.

To the Freshies we will the patience to be superior seniors some day.

To each member of the faculty we will a box of Kleenex, a bottle of aspirin, and in case these don't relieve their unhappiness at our departure, a loaded gun.

In addition, we bequeath a new Ford to Mr. Metzger, a gallon of paint to the Faudree Brothers, and a magic typing eraser to Mr. Dilling.

## II

I, Barbara Barker, will my dimples and ability to go steady to Patsy Hack.

I, Carl Bechtold, will my height and 30 inch waist to that up and coming softball star, Larry Schenkle.

I, Marie Betten, will some of my height to Bonnie Wiley, who is always wishing she were taller.

I, Louella Blocher, will my seat in the assembly to Gloria Vance so Ralph won't have so far to walk to sit with her.

I, Betty Brandenburg, will my seat in the front row of the cheering section to anyone who gets as excited at ball games as I do.

I, Virginia Brandenburg, will my major-ette uniform and baton to "Doe's" youngest daughter, that she might be a twirler for 12 years instead of 6 years.

I, Darletta Cox, will the key to my heart to someone who can keep from breaking it and yet can satisfy me too.

I, Lois Cunningham, will all that I have, and all that I have learned I'm going to take with me.

I, Tom Dillman, will my ability to put up a good argument in health and safety class to Gale Metzger.

I, Charlie Fleck, will my small feet to Bob Littlefield.

I, Carolyn Garrison, will my seat in the assembly to Lizzie Gump, so she can sit in front of Hezzie Frieden.

I, Marilyn Garrison, will my A's in citizenship to anyone who needs them.

I, Charles Gibbs, will my ability to get along with teachers to Ben Wright and Dick Brown.

I, Norma Graham, will my hair that I cut off to Mr. Smith and my slim figure to Mr. Dilling.

I, Pauline Hippensteel, will my shy ways to the Freshman girls. I think they could stand some.

I, Jack Kissinger, will my wicked wink to that up and coming Romeo, William Helvey.

I, Jim Klutz, will my seat in the assembly to Marilyn Leffel in the hope that she can keep Bob Littlefield and Tom McClure company.

I, Gene Metzger, will the "Iron Lung", my '31 Chevy, to Ida Eshelman so she doesn't have to call to start her Kaiser.

I, Janet Metzger, will my naturally curly hair to any girl having trouble keeping hers curly in rainy weather.

I, Ronald Metzger, will my natural ability to blush to anyone dumb enough to want it.

I, Don Mosher, will Jim Hammond all of the demerits I didn't get while I was in school. May they help him have A's in citizenship.

I, John Penrod, will my ability to get math. to Lulubelle Penrod.

I, Bruce Pottenger, will all of my excess weight to anyone who is willing to take it.

I, Lee Dick Rieken, will my bicycle to anyone with flat feet and my love letters to Chuckles Gibbs.

I, Theron Rupley, will all my good natural ability to anyone who can carry that big a load.

I, Marlene Schroll, will my seat in the assembly to anyone who can take the teasing of Bob Yentes and Dick Workman.

I, Ann Snavelly, will my naturally wavy hair to Lee Ray Aughinbaugh, so he won't have to spend his money on "Toni".

I, Bob Snell, will my front seat in the assembly to anyone who has enough muscle to push this big desk out, so they won't always be cramped like I am.

I, Coleen Warren, will my hair to anyone, provided they take the name "Blonde" too.



# Senior Calendar

- Aug. 24—For whom the bell tolls.  
Aug. 27—First full day of school.  
Sept. 6—Labor Day.  
Sept. 8—Class officers elected are Tom, John, Marlene, and Janet.  
Sept. 9—Jrs. select and order class rings.  
Sept. 16—Junior - Senior Skating party at Rock Lake.  
Sept. 17—Freshman Skate at Warsaw.  
Sept. 20—Y-Teen Initiation. (Torture).  
Sept. 22—Ravelings staff for 1948-49 is Jack, Charles, and Ronald.  
Sept. 23—Annual initiation of new F.F.A. members.  
Announcements and name cards selected.  
Sept. 28—Softball playoff at Wabash. Central Champions.  
Oct. 1—Hi-Y boys initiation. (Solid Comfort) 4-H Skate at Columbia City.  
Oct. 2—Poultry Judging Team leaves for Richmond, Virginia.  
Oct. 6—Band Concert.  
Oct. 7—Sophomore Skate at Rock Lake.  
Oct. 8—Senior pictures taken.  
Oct. 16—Band played at College Football game.  
Oct. 20—Senior Play, "Miss Jimmy", shown to a large audience.  
Oct. 21 - 22—Teachers Institute.  
Oct. 25—Yell Leaders Chosen (Mary Louise Mary Lois and Max.)  
Oct. 28—"Driver Education Car" presented to school.  
Oct. 29—Band Carnival.  
Nov. 2—Sale of basketball season tickets began.  
Nov. 3—Annual Pictures taken.  
Nov. 5—Juniors got class rings.  
Chester Victorious 38-36.  
Linlawn-Chester game at Wabash—  
Nov. 11—Armistice Day.  
Nov. 12—Central defeated Chester 29-27.  
Nov. 17—Chester defeated Clear Creek.  
Dec. 22—Vacation begins.  
Jan. 1—Four Way Tourney. (Central, Chester, Laketon, Roann)  
Jan. 3—Resume school. (Ugh!)  
Jan. 6 & 7—Final Exams.  
Feb. 24 26 Sectional Basketball Tourney at Wabash.  
Mar. 5—County Music Festival.  
Mar. 18—Junior Class Play.  
Mar. 23—Ma, Pa, and Me Banquet.  
Mar. 26—Hi-Y Banquet  
Mar. 29—Wabash-Chester track meet.  
Apr. 2—District Band Contest.  
Apr. 9—State Band Contest.  
Apr. 16—Y-Teen Formal Banquet.  
Apr. 29—All school skate.  
May 1—Baccalaureate.  
May 7—Commencement.

**Best Wishes to the Graduates of 1949 from**

**The News-Journal**

# Class Prophecy

Recently, I had a strange experience. A mysterious package was sent to the Class of '49 through the mail. It was a graduation gift. When I got this package at the Post Office, I rushed to the school and started up the stairs. Just as I reached the top, I stumbled and fell and the package dropped to the floor. The wrapper was torn from it and the gift broke into many pieces. I started to pick up the pieces when I noticed some writing on each piece. I found to my surprise that this was a crystal globe. It was broken in such a manner that on each piece was the name of a 1949 class member and what he would be doing in the future. This appeared to be very interesting, so I sat down and put the globe together again. This is what I found on the globe:

Wayne Clark, having acquired his knowledge from his high school experience of working on the railroad, is now engineer on the Flatwheel Special, a slow freight.

Carolyn and Marilyn Garrison are now seen in current magazines with the question—"Which one has the Toni?"

Betty Brandenburg is president of the Fannie Farmer Candy Company. She secured her position by having preliminary training at the Morris 5 & 10 at North Manchester.

John Penrod is professor of Shakespearean drama at Oxford University, while not

creating blue ribbon recipes for yeast rolls and angel food cakes.

Louella Blocher, better known now as Mrs. Eugene Clear, is kept quite busy with her many household tasks.

Janet Metzger is working with Charlie Fleck on his chicken farm. She is trying to discover which came first, the chicken or the egg.

Darletta Cox is manager and chief supervisor of the Servia "Bucher" shop.

Carl Bechtold is the present owner of the "Fox" at Indianapolis.

Lois Cunningham has secured the position of janitor at Spartan Hall, better known as the boys' dorm at M. C.

Bruce Pottenger is chief interior decorator of the Quality "Baker" Shop.

Barbara Barker, now Mrs. Dick Piper, is busy raising her third set of twin boys. Their father is hoping to have his own nationally famous basketball team known as "The Piper Panthers."

Gene Metzger is famous out West for his drink called the "Prairie Martini". It is a glass of formaldehyde with a black widow spider riding the olive.

Ann Snavelly, the name by which we used to know her, is now playing the leading lady in the dramatization entitled "The Gump Family."

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# Class Prophecy

Bob Snell spends all his time at his hobby—Reading Burma Shave Signs.

Jim Klutz is giving jitterbug lessons at the Odd Fellows Hall.

Pauline Hippensteel decided her ambition was to become a nurse, so she has started a nursery and cares for handsome trees and shrubs.

Marlene Schroll is still winning high honors of distinction. Only recently she was awarded the Pulitzer Prize in recognition of her superb painting called **Covered With Snow**. Everything is white, and if one does not have the artistic sense, he might think it a blank piece of canvas.

Tom Dillman is a famous doctor at John Hopkins Hospital. He also is memorizing his 274th dictionary to see that his patients never mispronounce or misuse a word.

Theron Rupley and Ronald Metzger are those two world famous instructors of that never dying language, "Pig Latin." Ronald, by the way, is a great threat to the neon industry. It seems his face has a tendency to light up with no expense involved.

Virginia Brandenburg has retired from her appointment as Head Drum Majorette of the "Marching 100" at I.U. and is now co-owner of the "Speedking" Racer Company, south of this city.

Jack Kissinger has brought honor to the

United States by winning the high jump at the Olympics.

Norma Graham has joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in the pursuit of a—man.

Charles Gibbs is a bell hop at the Sheller Hotel and is quite often left holding the bag.

Marie Betten is the Dean of Women at Manchester College. Her job was obtained after the high recommendation given to her after her portrayal of "Miss Watkins" in the senior class play.

Lee Dick Reiken received his Junior G-man badge last week; he's still waiting for his Dick Tracy gun.

Coleen Warren is now playing 1st chair French horn with Phil Spitalni's All Girl Orchestra while not playing her electric guitar with the Melody Rangers.

Don Mosher is president of Boy's State at Indianapolis. He has the job of investigating all government books to see if the laws are legal and apply to the rules used at Boy's State.

When each piece had been fitted into its proper place and the globe had regained its shape, I suddenly noticed something written across the bottom of this mysterious globe which read: "Best Wishes from the Chester Panthers."

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# Juniors

On August 30, 1946, fifty-two students enrolled as freshmen at Chester. To start the year right, they elected these efficient officers: Danny Fulton, president; Pat Hathaway, vice-president; Beverly Stellar, secretary; Peggy Baker, treasurer. Gloria Vance and Bob Yentes joined the ranks that year. A hayride was enjoyed and a Christmas gift exchange was held. Their sponsors were Mrs. Baker and Mr. Dilling.

The class of '50, now consisting of forty-seven members, enrolled as sophomores on August 29, 1947. They elected the following officers: Robert Yentes, president; Pat Hathaway, vice-president; Mary Louise Clark, secretary; and Peggy Baker, treasurer. A hayride was enjoyed in the fall and a skating party that spring. The sponsors were Miss Stone and Mr. Scribner.

Now they are juniors and they are doing a good job of it, too. Their officers are: Gary Walters, president; John Rohrer, vice-president; Pat Hathaway, secretary; and Connie Spann, treasurer. Their sponsors for this year are Miss Eshelman and Mr. Metzger.

(Upper left): Sue Anger, Peggy Baker, Max Bechtold, Ralph Bolinger, Lois Bollinger.

(First row): Wade Bollinger, Marilee Boyer, Kenneth Bucher, Max Bucher, Mary Louise Clark.

(Second row): Keith Cripe, Bill Doster, Eunice Hatfield, Pat Hathaway, Bill Holloway.

(Third row): Lawrence Keaffaber, Priscilla Kester, Jo Anne Leckrone, Doris Lefforge, Tom McClure.

(Fourth row): Jack Marburger, Max Marburger, Richard Paul, Trula Penrod, Leon Ritenour.

(Fifth row): John Rohrer, Max Schilling, Stanley Schnepf, Connie Spann, Beverly Steller.

(Sixth row): Charles Swihart, Gloria Vance, Gilbert Walls, Gary Walters, Robert Walters.

(Seventh row): Dick Workman, Bob Yentes, Juanita Young, Sylvia Young, Joan Zimbleman.



# Sophomores

On August 30, 1947, forty students wandered into high school. Their capable leaders for the year were: James Schumaker, president; Max Richards, vice-president; Mary Lois Fleck, secretary; and Anita Schroll, treasurer. Their first class party outside of the school was a hayride on September 22. A skating party was enjoyed the second semester. Mrs. Von Ehr, Mrs. Allen, and Mr. Dilling sponsored the class.

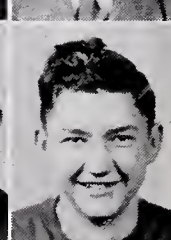
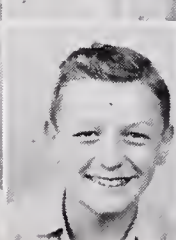
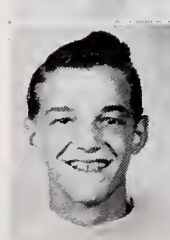
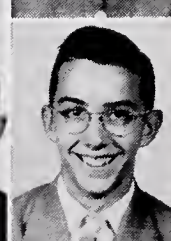
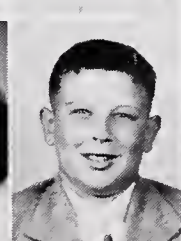
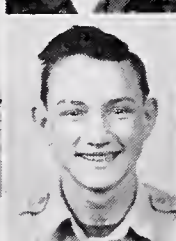
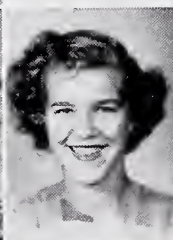
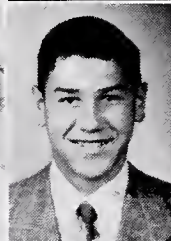
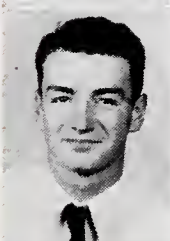
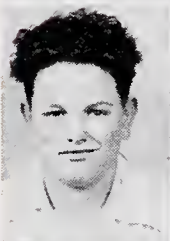
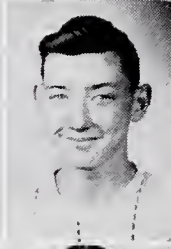
When they came back after vacation, they were assigned their seats on the other side of the assembly, and they are now known as sophomores. They held their election and the officers are: Harold Frieden, president; William Helvey, vice-president; Jim Hammond, secretary; and Herbert Underwood, treasurer. The sponsors are Mrs. Lytle and Mr. Scribner. The class had two parties to remember.

- (Upper left): Don Bechtold, Dora Betten.
- (First row): Jane Booher, Norman Chamberlain, Alice Clouser, Catherine Cook, Max Cunningham.
- (Second row): Carolyn Enyeart, Mary Fettes, Mary Lois Fleck, Esther Frey, Bonnie Frieden.
- (Third row): Harold Frieden, Ted Frieden, Doris Gibbs, Bob Graham, Glorea Grossnickle.
- (Fourth row): Elizabeth Gump, Jim Hammond, Dean Hapner, William Helvey, Jim Larrison.
- (Fifth row): Charles Little, Bob Littlefield, Joan Poer, Morris Poer, Don Pries.
- (Sixth row): Lloyd Reiken, Dorsey Rhoades, Max Richards, Anita Schroll, James Schumaker.
- (Seventh row): Agnes Sleighter, Herbert Underwood, Alvin Wiley, Lester Williams, Charlotte Wright.





# Freshmen



On August 27, 1948, the freshmen tried their luck at being high school students. To start things off with a bang they elected these leaders: Marilyn Leffel, president; Marvin Speicher, vice-president; Ted Spann, secretary; and Lee Ray Aughinbaugh, treasurer. The job of sponsoring was given to Miss Bowen and Mr. Dilling.

To break the monotony of school routine the class enjoyed two parties.

(Upper right): Dorothy Airgood, Thomas Airgod.

(First row): Lee Ray Aughinbaugh, Norma Jean Baker, John Bollinger, Gary Bonan, Billy Brandenburg.

(Second row): Dick Brown, Elliott Chamberlain, Derwood Coe, Nilah Cook, Russell Coppes.

(Third row): Jacob Cornamy, Sara Jane Felter, Doris Finton, Mary Ann Gugle, Carol Gump.

(Fourth row): Patsy Hack, Russell Hapner, Billy Keaffaber, Nancy Knapp, Marilyn Leffel.

(Fifth row): Carol Littlefield, Barbara Meyer, Jimmy Morrisey, Geneva Parson, Lulubelle Penrod.

(Sixth row): Charlene Royer, Larry Schenkel, Emma Jane Singer, Ted Spann, Marvin Speicher.

(Seventh row): John Swihart, Frances Underwood, John Warren, Ben Wright, Jesse Yentes.



## *Eighth Grade*

Top Row: left to right: Larry Baker, Billy Finton, Alfred Haggard, Max Tyner, LeRoy Young, Mr. Faudree, Kenneth Workman, Wendell Meyer, Robert Schumaker.  
 2nd. row: Janet Watson, Paul Graham, Marcus Frieden, Albert Simms, Ernest Cripe, Larry Frye, James Clark, Tom Coon, George Zinsmeister, Larry Morford, Dolores Greer.  
 3rd row: Carol Walls, Norma Jean Frey, Bonnie Wiley, Gerry Barker, Doris Bucher, Alice Brubaker, Charlotte Smith, Gail Ritenour, Lois Hapner, Barbara Schroll.  
 4th row: Don Snyder, Ronald Zimpleman.



## *Seventh Grade*

Top Row: Don Brown, Bob Messer, Bennett Kline, Jerry Purdy, Jimmy Baker, Mike Leckrone, Happy Tackitt, Bob Keaffaber, Richard Purdy, Philip Snively.  
 2nd row: Dean Cox, Mr. Paul Faudree, Caroline Kling, Beulah Young, Violet Kline, Connie Owens, Norma Colcluser, Lily Robinson, Julia Pottenger, Marilee Baker, Wanda Miller, Edith Rowe, Ethel Robinson, Anna Helvey, Mr. Weimer.  
 3rd row: Kay Bonam, Carol Marshall, Phyllis Parson, Patricia Wallace, Barbara Miller, Patsy Walgamuth, Diane Landis, Gerry Coblentz, Beverly Schroll, Phyllis Bechtold, Shirley Brubaker, Barbara Whitacker, Donald Vance.  
 4th row: Gerald Meyer, Dick Shanahan, Franklin Rowe, Dewight Ritenour, Clarence Houser, John Morrissey, Jay Schilling, Max Frye, Dewayne Ritenour, Galen Chamberlain, Douglas Leiter.





## *Sixth - Fifth*

Bottom Row: Max Cox, Billie Leonhard, Jack Baker, Bobby Hapner, Bobby Barker, Maurice Frieden, Ted Morford, Kendal Waiter, Jerry Clark, Dewayne Beery.

Second Row: Fannie Esther Swihart, Sue Richards, Beverly Buckingham, Mary Ellen Snively, Carol Grossnickle, Joyce Grossnickle, Norma Coning, Phyllis Bukhart, Dorothy Lefforge, Carol Miller, Pat Leckrone.

Third Row: Marjorie Sims, Barbara Elkins, Rosemarie Wolf, Martha Kline, Sandra Clark, Marilyn Metzger, Sharon Hapner, Joyce Leffel, Helen Penrod, Anita Bollinger, Mrs. Thrush.

Fourth Row: Chuck Carter, Dick Zimpelman, John Clark, Keith Cook, Norman Baker, Jerry Zimpelman, R. J. Renicker, Billie Whitaker, Todd Hathaway.



## *Fourth - Third*

Bottom Row: Marvin Metzger, Titus Chamberlain, Wayne Singer, Floyd Sims.

Second Row: Nancy Haupt, Janet Buckingham, Kay Richards, Alice May, Whitaker, Laurale Brandenburg, Julia Ann Purdy, Janene Myers, Carolyn Metzger, Sandra Stoops, Mary Jane Merkle, Carol Morford, Morford.

Third Row: Sherrill Wallace, Nancy Frantz, Karen Bowen, Judy Leonard, Sharon Neher, Karen Bollinger, Rosemary Miller, Linda Clark, Glenna Brubaker, Bobby Kreamer, Donald Lefforge, Mrs. Kreamer.

Fourth Row: Tommy Baker, Jimmie Speicher, Pete Messmore, Ronald Miller, Joe Walls, Jimmie Shanahan, Jerry L. Badskey, Jerry Carter, Earl Whitaker, Merrill Chamberlain.

Not in Picture: Gary Joy, Marilyn Joy, Mary Evelyn Blocher.



## *Second - First*

Bottom Row: John Paul, Dean Metzger, Junior Oney, Jack Hathaway, Gene Hapner, Bobby Bechtold, Max Taylor, Rex Niccum.

Second Row: Jean Hippensteel, Karin Faudree, Bonnie Messmore, Martha Ann Merkle, Sharon Myers, Charlotte Chamberlain, Norma Whitaker, Marcea Brandenburg, Judy Baker, Carroll Damer, Lavonna Lee Juday, Evelyn Walls, Anita Burkhardt.

Third Row: Beth Neher, Becky Sue Ayres, Janet Morford, Pearl Kline, Jane Hippensteel, Kay Walter, Rebecca Damron, Janet Badskey, Janice Allen, Sandra Shock, Rachel Cook, Miss Ruth Dillman.

Fourth Row: Ronald Brandenburg, Charles Harper, Richard Miller, Roger Miller, Todd Richards, Richard Wolf, Lowell Emerick, Kenneth Kline, Gary Nordman, Gene Ruse, Devon Zimpelman.



## Liberty Mills

Front Row: Quentin Tackitt, Tommy Helvey, Danny Beamer, Larry Tackitt, Jerry Judy, Danny Hammond, Billy Snep, George Carson, Freddie Tackitt, Gary Keaffaber.  
 Second Row: Lucy Robison, Linda Morrisey, Judy Coldren, Peggy Howard, Norma Jean Helvey, Jo Anne Landis, Ann Keaffaber, Jessie Robison, Sue Graham, Geraldine Bradley.  
 Third Row: Betty Williams, Janie Robison, Sue Leonhardt, Lue Jean Howard, Jimmy Kling, Gene Heeter, Joe Clemons, Laymon Howard, Carl Taylor, Joe Carson.  
 Fourth Row: Mrs. Swihart, Mr. Martin, Mrs. Ulrey.



## Servia

First Row: Terry Kabat, Patty Shanahan, Dickie Marshall, Todd Walters, Mary Lee Hoover, Jon Airgood, Gloria Keaffaber, Larry Hauptert, Karen Sue Krichbaum, Carl Klutz, Judith Royer, Jerry Pressler.  
 Second Row: Norma Cormany, Robert Hippensteel, Janice Marshall, Evelyn Betten, Roger Tate, David Brubaker, James Clevenger, Margie Klutz, Mike Walters, Judith Jordan, Shirley Scribner, Larry Yentes, Esther Brovont.  
 Third Row: James Meyer, Dick Runkel, Clarence Betten, Leo Frieden, Sandra Marshall, Lowell Hoover, Stanley Hoover, Ronald Wiley, Richard Miller, Arlene Cormany, Rosalee Klutz, Verlinda Clevenger, Leland Beery, Billy Hippensteel.  
 Fourth Row: Charles Miller, Robert Leiter, Lary Jordan, Jane Workman, Mae Moore, Janet Workman, Barbara Meyer, Rose Ann Bucher, Shirley Krichbaum, Patty Grindle, Barbara Parson, Dewayne Klutz, Edythe Meyer.  
 Fifth Row: Martha Fruit, Mrs. Galen Bucher, Mr. Howard Royer, Mrs. Charles Gaebler.



## Salem

Front Row: Max Metzger, David Ulrey, Ned Yordy, David Snyder, Max Colclessler, Leroy Rinehart, Larry Williams, Richard Little, James Renz, Harold Finton.  
 Second Row: Ralph Penrod, Don Judy, Harold Hamman, Tommy Bechtold, James Finton, Mary Lou Tyner, Mary Lou Grube, Dora Young, Rosalie Holloway.  
 Third Row: Noel Yordy, Jane Schenkel, Gloria Jean Hack, Nelson Schumaker, Vernon Schroll, Kenneth Pratt, James Crist, Marilyn Pratt, Gloria Ann Houser, Shelby Bechtold, Pauline Honraday.  
 Fourth Row: Gary Houser, Shirley Littlefield, Shirley Kaufman, Rosalie Rinehart, Jane Renz, Sally Beaver, Mary Shanahan, Beatrice Little, Janice Pratt, Donna Lee Sleighter, Jerry Dean Bechtold.  
 Fifth Row: Amy Bormuth, Arthur Bergk, Clifford Clouser, Thomas Schumaker, James Little, Mrs. Paul Yordy, Charles Zinsmeister, Jack Sleighter, Leo Judy, Mrs. Carl Kester, Gary Jackson, Margaret Snyder, Orville Smith, Catherine Gemmer, Phyllis Rupley.







# *SPORTS*

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# Basketball of Forty-nine

Basketball in Indiana is called "Hoosier Madness". That title truly describes the delirium which grips all ball fans from November to March. Sports writers and fans spend their time predicting and then moaning when they miss a guess or two. Bas-

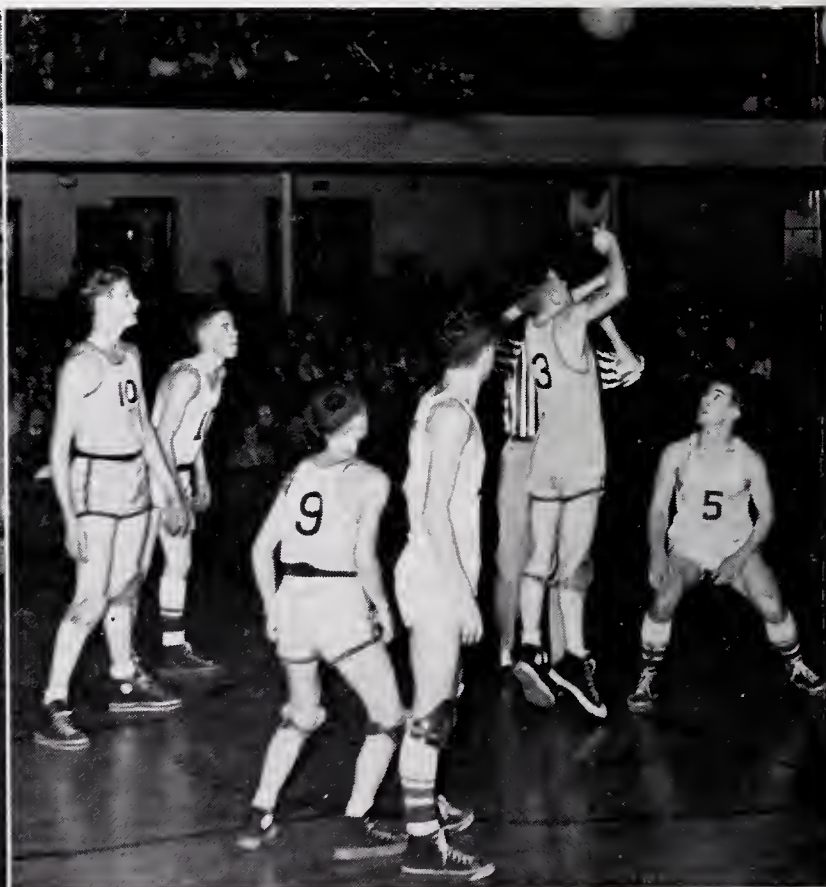
ketball is full of surprises and upsets. Every school, regardless of size, can have only five men on the floor. Perhaps the chance that any team may win the State Finals is one of the reasons why basketball is one of the major sports of Indiana.



## Coach Paul Faudree

"Pete" has been at Chester for four years now and is coaching, track, softball, and the Freshman and Jr. High basketball teams. He has been very successful in the coaching of his teams.

These action shots were taken at the New Year's Day Tourney which was played at Manchester College. The teams participating are the Laketon Tigers and the Chester Panthers.



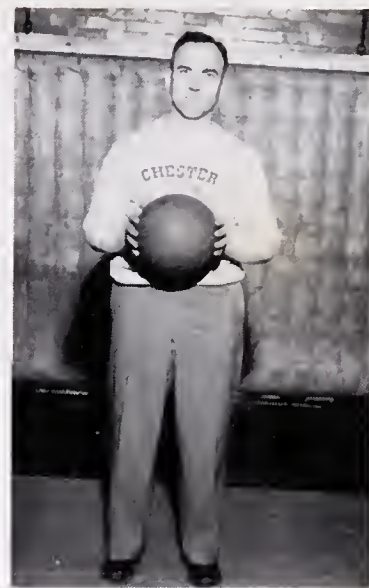
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## Basketball

This year's basketball team has come up the ladder of success in good shape after the loss of our best ball club in years. This year's Chester team has had a hard row to hoe. Everyone is out to beat us. The squad has worked hard and has come through with a successful season.



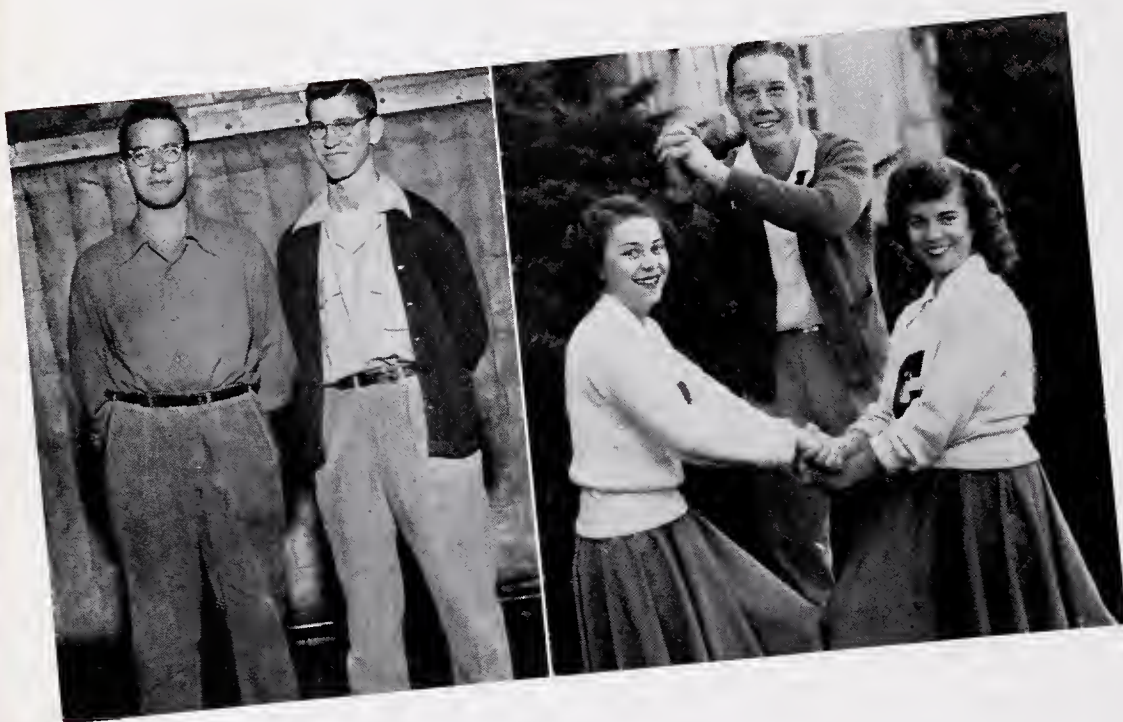
*Coach G. Faudree*

"Doe", as all of the basketball boys know him, has coached basketball at Chester for six years. He is known to have outstanding teams. This year is no exception, for he has come through with another good team.

Back Row: Jim Hammond, Lee Dick Reiken, Ronald Metzger, Theron Rupley, Don Mosher, Ralph Bolinger, Coach Faudree.  
Front Row: Gene Metzger, Manager; Bruce Pottenger, Wayne Clark, Charles Gibbs, Carl Bechtold, Tom McClure, Charles Fleck, Student Manager.







Student Managers: Gene Metzger and Charles Fleck.

Cheer Leaders: Mary Louise Clark, Max Bucher, Mary Lois Fleck.

## *The Two Stooges*

This year's student managers are Charles Fleck and Gene Metzger. As jacks-of-all-trades, they work as players, helpers, and referees. They're exceptionally good at refereeing after the kidding they get from the players.

## *Cheer Leaders*

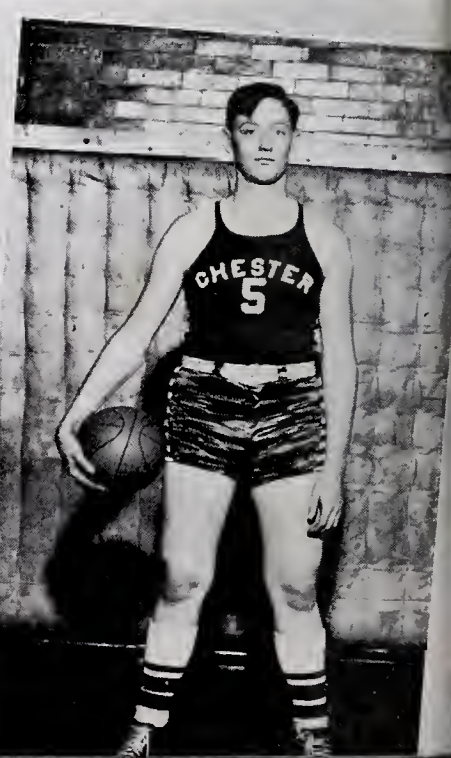
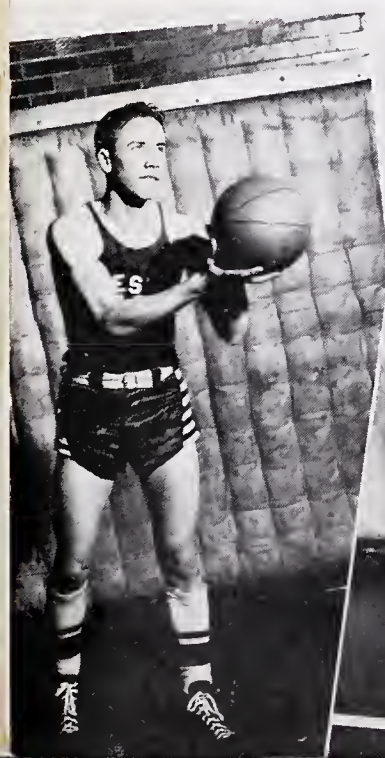
Mary Lois, Mary Louise, and Max have certainly succeeded in making our cheering section really cheer! They have done everything they could to improve the sportsmanship and effectiveness of our enthusiastic fans. This year Miss Eshelman and Miss Gongwer are the sponsors of the cheer leaders.

Ralph Bolinger

Lee Dick Reiken

Carl Bechtold

Charles Gibbs





Chester 38 Linlawn 36  
 Chester 27 Central 29  
 Chester 53 Clear Creek 38  
 Chester 47 Laketon 39  
 Chester 55 LaFontaine 50  
 Chester 51 Largo 37  
 Chester 60 Bippus 38  
 Chester 40 Huntington  
                   Township 42  
 Chester 43 Silver Lake 46  
 Chester 52 Akron 32  
 Chester 38 Central 46

Ronald Metzger

#### FOUR WAY TOURNEY

Chester 54 Laketon 28  
 Chester 40 Central 45

Bruce Pottenger

#### COUNTY TOURNEY

Chester 42 Chippewa 43  
 Chester 43 Albion 53  
 Chester 50 Urbana 45  
 Chester 45 Pierceton 51  
 Chester 37 Roann 29  
 Chester 52 South Whitley 41

Wayne Clark

#### SECTIONAL TOURNEY

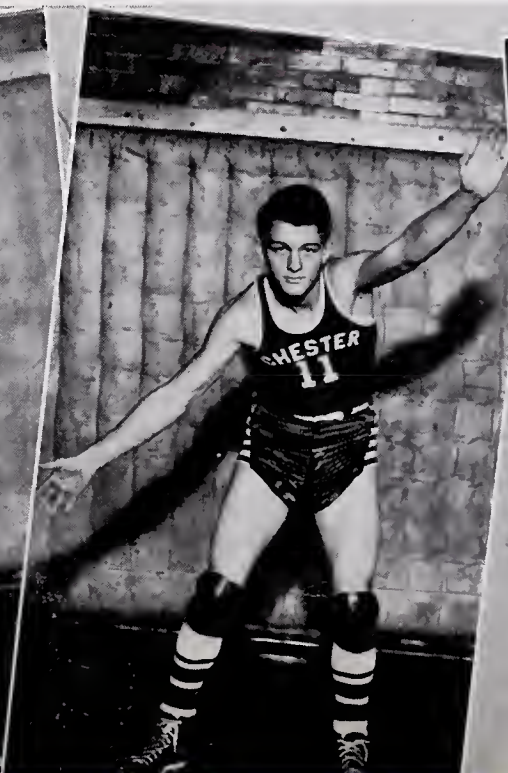
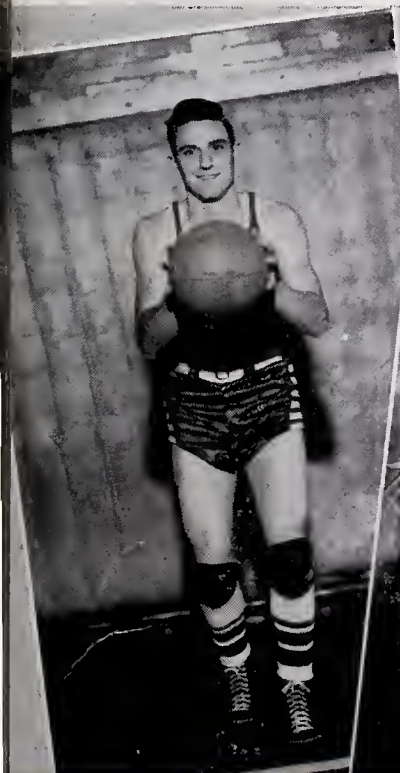
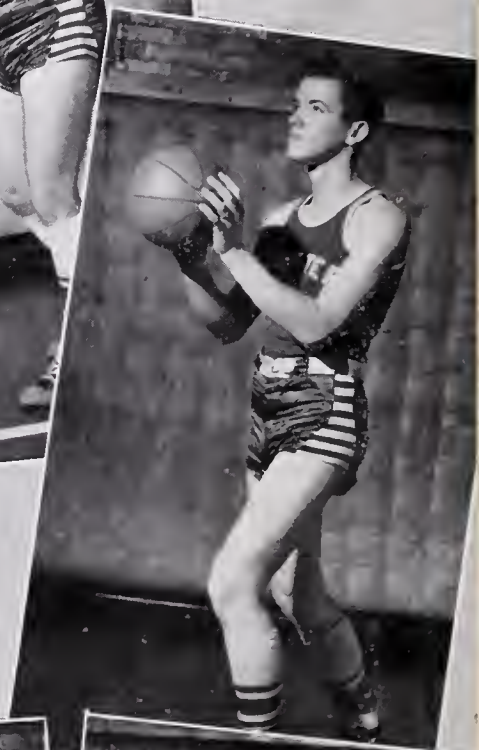
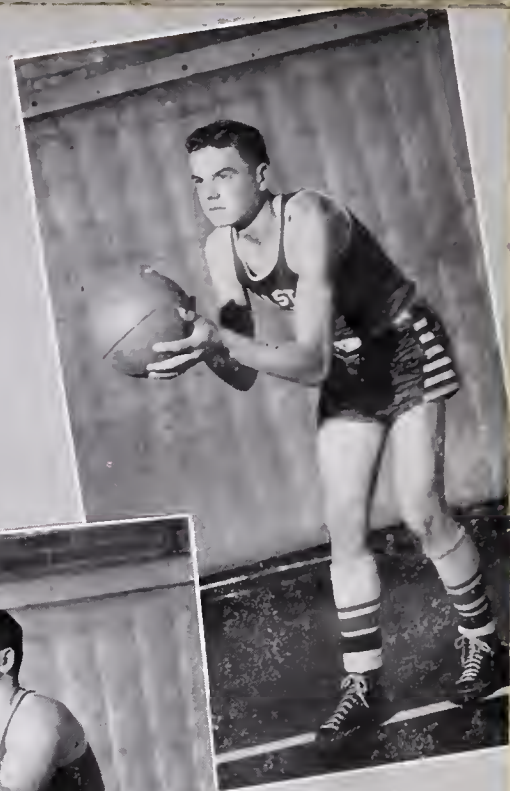
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Tom McClure

Theron Rupley

Don Mosher,

Jim Hammond





## Second Team

Back Row, Norman Chamberlain, William Helvey, Harold Freiden, Keith Cripe, Herbert Underwood, Jack Marburger, Lester Williams.

Front Row, Gene Metzger, stud. manager, John Rohrer, Morris Poer, Richard Workman, Jim Schumaker, Kenneth Bucher, Charles Fleck, stud. Manager.

Holding Ball, Max Richards.

## Freshmen Team

Back Row, Elliot Chamberlain, Lee Ray Aughinbaugh, Ben Wright, Jim Morrisey, Bill Brandenburg, Larry Schenkel, Coach Faudree.

Front Row, Bill Keaffaber, Ted Spann, Russel Hapner, Dick Brown, Russel Coppes, John Swihart, Melvin Speicher, Derwood Coe, John Bolinger, Gary Bonam.

## Jr. High Team

Back Row, Jay Schilling, Max Frye, Larry Frye, Larry Baker, Max Tyner, Jim Baker, Mike Lechrone, Tom Coon, Ernest Cripe.

Front Row, Coach Faudree, Don Brown, Ronnie Zimpleman, Bob Schumaker, LeRoy Young, Wendel Myers, Clarence Houser, Albert Simms, Marcus Freiden, Kenneth Workman, stud. manager.

Down Front, John Morrisey, Dick Shanahan.





Back Row: Max Richards, Lester Williams, William Helvey, Jim Hammond, Herbert Underwood, Kenneth Bucher, Ralph Bolinger, Tom McClure, Stanley Schnepf, Charles Swihart, Max Bucher, Derwood Coe, Coach Faudree.  
Front Row: Lee Dick Reiken, Ronald Metzger, Gene Metzger, Don Mosher, Jack Kissinger, Bob Snell, Carl Bechtold, Bruce Pottenger, Theron Rupley, Wayne Clark, Jim Klutz.

## *Softball*

This year our softball team got off to a bad start, but ended up in third place in the county standings.

This year's team was without the services

of John Morford, last year's star hurler, but Bob Snell developed into a good pitcher and the rest of the team were soon able to hold their own with any team in the county.

## *Season's Record*

Chester 3 Central 13  
Chester 7 Urbana 2  
Chester 35 Chippewa 5  
Chester 11 Roann 10  
Chester 4 Sidney 6  
Chester 3 Urbana 10  
Chester 7 Laketon 4  
Chester 7 Urbana 2

### COUNTY TOURNEY

Chester 13 Lafontaine 9  
Chester 4 Largo 5

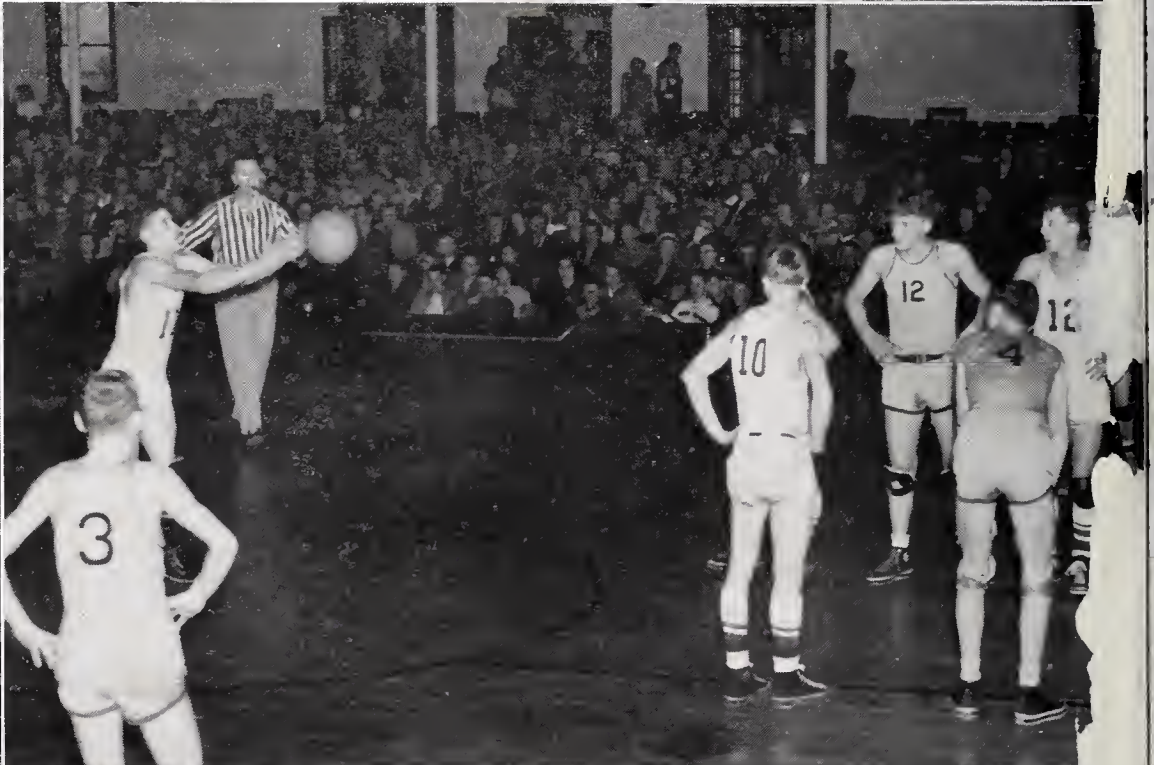
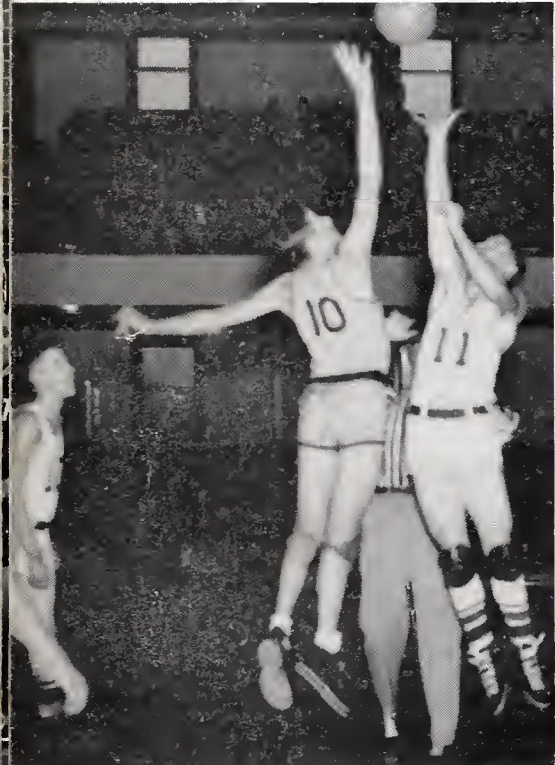
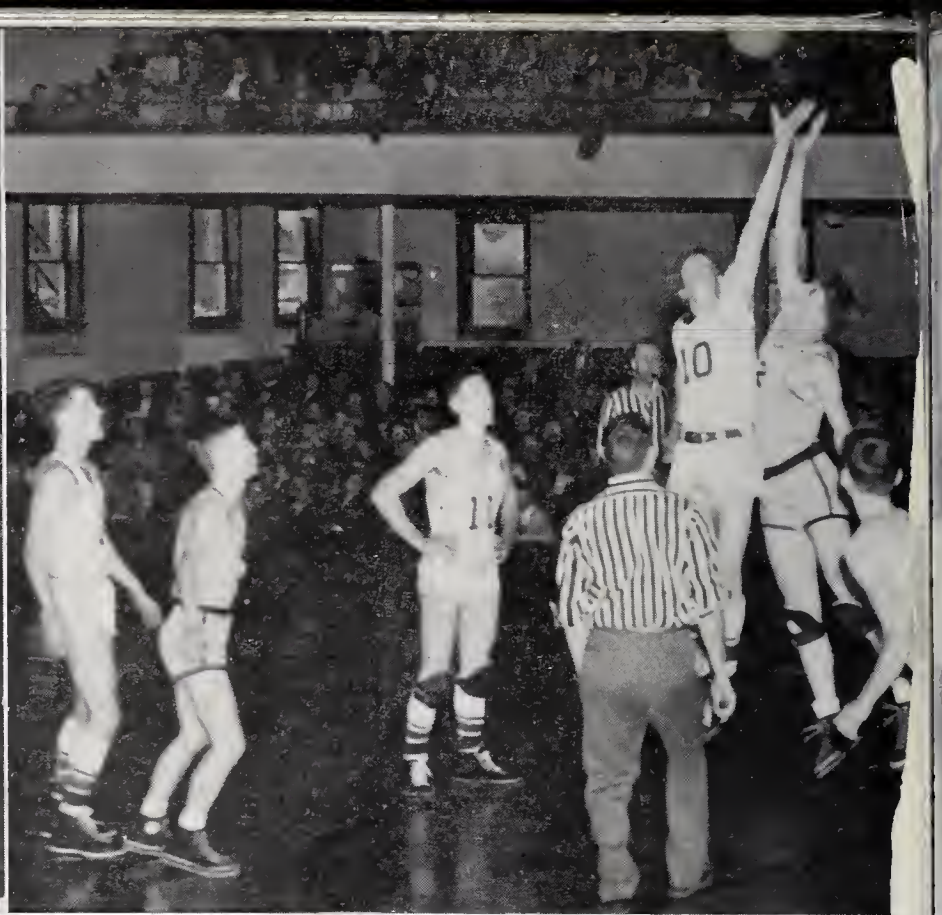
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## Track

First Row: Max Bucher, Lester Williams, Rex Schilling, William Helvey, Jim Klutz, Billy Holloway, Ronald Metzger, Bob Johnson.  
 Second Row: Ralph Bollinger, Bob Walgamuth, Jim Hammond, Bob Metzger, Danny Jo Fulton, Lee Dick Reiken, Charles Fleck, Stanley Schnepf, Herbert Underwood, John Rohrer.  
 Third Row: Don Hyde, Richard Hapner, Dick Piper, Don Mosher, Harold Freiden, Bob Yentes, Kenneth Bucher, Charles Swihart, John Morford, Pat Schnepf, Jack Kissinger, Tom Dillman, Bob Snell, Coach Paul Faudree.

The 1948 track season was a good year for Chester as they won everything but the Huntington Sectional Meet. Such performers as Hyde, Piper, Little, Bucher, Bollinger, Rupley, and Mosher made the squad top notch.

Chester 59		Wabash 50
Chester 69½	Huntington 63½	So. Whitley 20
Chester 60	Pierceton 40	Larwill 17
Chester 85½	Central 58½	Laketon 13

### County Track Meet

Chester 75	Wabash 73	Central 50
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### KOKOMO RELAYS

Chester got fourth place in the meet with twenty-three schools.

### CONVERSE RELAYS

Chester 62½	Swazee 48½	Fairmount 46
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### SECTIONAL TRACK MEET

Chester got fourth place in the meet.

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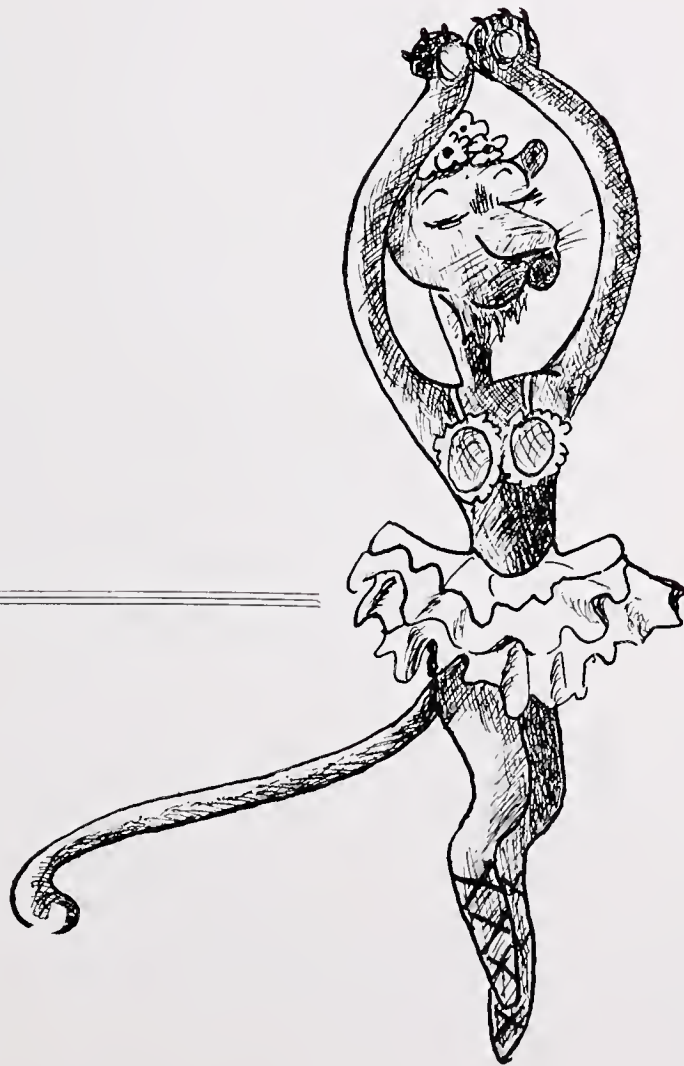
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Of the many enjoyable hours  
We spent together in Chester High School



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# RAVELINGS

Miss Gongwer—Sponsor.  
 Charlie Fleck—Assistant Editor.  
 Jack Kissinger—Editor.  
 Ronald Metzger—Business Manager.  
 Mr. Smith—Sponsor.

(seated): Virginia Brandenburg, Marlene Schroll, Miss Gongwer, Charles Fleck, Jack Kissinger, Ronald Metzger, Ann Snively, Marie Betten (standing): Carolyn Garrison, Carl Bechtold, Don Mosher, Bruce Pottinger, Wayne Clark, Gene Metzger, Tom Dillman, Mr. Smith, Lois Cunningham, Coleen Warren, Betty Brandenburg



The Class of '49 elected Jack Kissinger editor of this year's publication of the Ravelings. To help carry the responsibility Charles Fleck was elected assistant editor and Ronald Metzger was elected business manager. Jack and Charles attended to the

production of the book, while Ronald supervised the circulation and advertising.

Each member of the class was given a specific part in the Raveling's production. Each committee head was responsible for his particular committee's assignment.

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# CHESTER CHATTER

Chester Chatter is the bi-weekly newspaper published by the advanced typing class with Miss Gongwer directing the journalism and Mr. Dilling directing the production. The reporters from the classes and organizations write news for their class and organization.



(Left to right: Louella Blocher, Marie Betten, Patsy Hack, Lois Cunningham, Janet Metzger, Marilyn Garrison, Janet Watson, Beverly Schroll, Mr. Dilling, Betty Brandenburg, Anita Bollinger, Priscilla Kester, Connie Spann, Bill Doster, Beverly Steller, John Rohrer, Max Schilling, Miss Gongwer, Norman Chamberlain, Pauline Hippensteel, Coleen Warren, Norma Graham, Carolyn Garrison; at typewriters: Darletta Cox, Virginia Brandenburg, Barbara Barker.

(At bottom): Miss Gongwer, adviser; Norma Graham, circulation manager; Betty Brandenburg, editor-in-chief; Mr. Dilling, adviser; Carolyn Garrison, art editor; Coleen Warren, assistant editor.



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# HI-Y

Seated: William Helvey, Dick Paul, Gary Walters, Ronald Metzger, Keith Cripe, Charles Fleck, Don Mosher, Harold Frieden, Bill Holloway, Jim Klutz, Tom McClure, Theron Rupley, Gene Metzger.  
 2nd row: Mr. Smith, Mr. Dilling, Norman Chamberlain, Max Richards, Max Cunningham, Bob Littlefield, Robert Graham, Ted Frieden, Max Schilling, Jim Hammond, Lawrence Keaffaber, Lloyd Reiken, Mr. Weimer, Mr. Metzger.  
 3rd row: Bob Snell, John Penrod, Jack Kissinger, Tom Dillman, Bruce Pottenger, Carl Bechtold, Charles Gibbs, James Schumaker, Morris Poer, Marion Haggard, Leon Ritenour, Wade Bolinger, Lester Williams.  
 4th row: John Rohrer, Gilbert Walls, Bob Yentes, Bob Walters, Dick Workman, Kenneth Bucher, Bill Doster, Wayne Clark, Max Bucher, Ralph Bolinger, Stanley Schnepf.

The HI-Y is a high school branch of the Y.M.C.A. It is also affiliated with the TRI-HI-Y, a national organization. The purpose of the HI-Y organization is to create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community high standards of Christian character. The club holds meetings the second Wednesday of each month during convocation periods. The organization carries on outside activities such as swimming parties, skating parties, and the HI-Y banquet.

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Seated: Dora Betten, Coleen Warren, Juanita Young, Pat Hathaway, Eunice Hatfield, Mary Lois Fleck, Darletta Cox, Doris Lefforge, Lois Cunningham, Jo Ann Leckrone, Marilee Boyer, Sue Anger, Priscilla Kester.  
 Second Row: Miss Eshelman, Lois Bollinger, Elizabeth Gump, Marlene Schroll, Virginia Brandenburg, Trula Penrod, Peggy Baker, Gloria Vance, Anita Schroll, Ann Snively, Carolyn Garrison, Marilyn Garrison, Pauline Hippensteel, Betty Brandenburg, Mary Feters, Bonnie Frieden, Barbara Barker, Connie Spann, Miss Gongwer.  
 Third Row: Caroline Enyeart, Catherine Cook, Jane Boochee, Esther Frey, Sylvia Young, Norma Graham, Marie Betten, Louella Blocher, Glorea Grossnickle, Doris Gibbs, Graceanna Royer, Beverly Stellar, Joan Zimpleman, Charlotte Wright, Mary Louise Clark, Janet Metzger.

## Y-TEEN

The Y-Teen Club is a junior division of the Young Woman's Christian Association. It is an organization of sophomore, junior, and senior girls. The purpose of the Y-Teen is to promote higher Christian standards of conduct among high school girls. The Y-Teens meet on the second Wednesday of each month during convocation period. The girls entertained their parents at the annual Pa-Ma-ond-Me Banquet and held a formal banquet in the spring. Miss Eshelman and Miss Gongwer are the sponsors.



# Senior Play

## "Miss Jimmy"

"Miss Jimmy" is a three-act comedy.

Louise, a sophomore, is a pleasant girl about nineteen who is not so sure that studying is the best thing a girl can do in spring.

Florence, her roommate, is not so romantically inclined, and tries to appear hard-boiled by making wise cracks. Catherine is a blond of the type that men are said to prefer, and she definitely prefers men. Doris, who rooms with her, is the freshman drudge. Harriet, the campus snob with an inferiority complex, is a dark-haired siren. In contrast to the college girls is Miss Watkins, who heads the school.

Jimmy is the typical college boy, a little serious and still gay, but subject to romance in the spring. Droopy, the colored janitor, is exactly what the name implies. Professor Frazier went to Oxford and came back with a taste for tea and an English accent.

The scene of the play is a room in the girls' dormitory at Brier Mountain College. The action of the play begins when Jimmy is

forced by his fraternity brothers to enter the girls' dormitory in search of a girl's dress to wear in an initiation stunt. At the same time the girls are finding it difficult to get dates for their big dance of the year with anyone but brothers, cousins, and uncles, and when they capture Jimmy they decide to make his fraternity brothers escort them to the prom by holding Jimmy for ransom. From then on things happen. The girls have a time keeping Jimmy hidden from Professor Frazier and the dean. When they all fall for Jimmy and try to win him, Jimmy tries to escape by posing as "Miss Jimmy" in Louise's dress. When everything looks clear, the chief of police, who has a long record for catching kidnappers, appears. It is only with the aid of Droopy, who is himself trying to keep his chicken farm out of reach of the police, that Miss Jimmy is able to escape—after promising to come back for the prom.

Darletta Cox, Catherine; Louella Blocher, prompter; Tom Dillman, Miss Jimmy; Marie Betten, Miss Watkins; Miss Gongwer, director; Marlene Schroll, Florence; Virginia Brandenburg, Louise; Barbara Barker, Doris; Lois Cunningham, Harriet; John Penrod, Professor Frazier; Jack Kissinger, Droopy.







Wade Bollinger, Steve Cobb; Richard Workman, Garret;  
Tom McClure, Victor Ward; Miss Eshelman, director; Sue Anger,  
Hazel; Jo Anne Leckrone, Aunt Angela; Connie Spann, Bona;  
Marilee Boyer, Bessie Rhoades; Leon Ritenour, Mr. Ward; Gary  
Walters, Gifford; Pat Hathaway, Eve Boyd.

## *Junior Play*

### *"Let Me Out Of Here"*

"Let Me Out Of Here" is a farce comedy in three-acts.

Bona Lynn and Eve Boyd work together as typists and share a little two-room apartment. Bona has a handsome brother that Eve would like to meet. Eve has a wealthy aunt who wants her to marry Gifford Morton, an eccentric poet and writer of children's stories. Eve wants to be independent and has led her aunt to believe that she is attending an exclusive girls' school when she is really earning a salary.

But Aunt Angela and Gifford are coming to pay Eve a visit! Eve isn't ready to be found out yet, so she and Bona go to ask a friend of theirs to pretend to be Eve's teacher so the aunt will not ask too many questions. While they are out, Garret, Bona's brother, arrives with a friend, Victor Ward, who has come to town to close an important business deal for his father. While waiting for the girls, Victor tears his trousers and Garret goes out to have them mended, not realizing that it is a holiday. The

snoopy landlady, Bessie Rhodes, almost discovers Victor, but he gets rid of her by wearing a kimono and head scarf and by pretending to be one of the girls with a bad cold. Then Aunt Angela and Gifford come in . . . see Victor and think they are in the wrong apartment. They tell the landlady . . . she thinks Victor is a burglar . . . Victor has already frightened the comedy maid, Hazel Miles, into a faint. Garret comes back . . . Victor forces him to change clothes with him and goes out to keep his appointment, leaving Garret in the same fix Victor was in. Then Victor's father arrives . . . dirty from changing a tire. While he is cleaning up, Garret steals his clothes to get even with Victor! Then . . . well, there just isn't space here to describe all the hilarious things that happen. Even Steve Cobb, the superstitious colored elevator boy, gets mixed up in the tangle, which gets worse and worse until it seems that nothing can straighten it out. But all ends happily in a most amusing way.





Back Row: John Rohrer, Richard Paul, Kenneth Workman, Trula Faye Penrod, Elizabeth Gump, Ben Wright, Russell Hapner, Mr. Leckrone, Bob Keaffaber, Dorothy Airgood, Ann Snively, Tom Airgood, Mary Lois Fleck.

Third Row: John Warren, Galen Chamberlain, Carol Marshall, Carol Littlefield, Phyllis Bechtold, Nancy Knapp, Max Frye, Lawrence Keaffaber, Tom Coon, Max Cunningham, Dean Cox, Wendel Meyers, Mike Leckrone, Joan Zimpleman, Lois Cunningham.

Second Row: Melvin Speicher, Carol Gump, Virginia Brandenburg, Coleen Warren, Doris Gibbs, Tom Dillman, Jerry Coblenz, Janet Watson, Beverly Steller, Priscilla Kester.

First Row: Carolyn Garrison, Darletta Cox, Eunice Hatfield, Lulabelle Penrod, Marilyn Garrison, Doris Lefforge, Barbara Barker.

## Senior Band

Our Senior Band, under the direction of Mr. Leckrone, is composed of forty-five members. The band marches at every home game during the basketball season. Their director works out the unique marching formations.

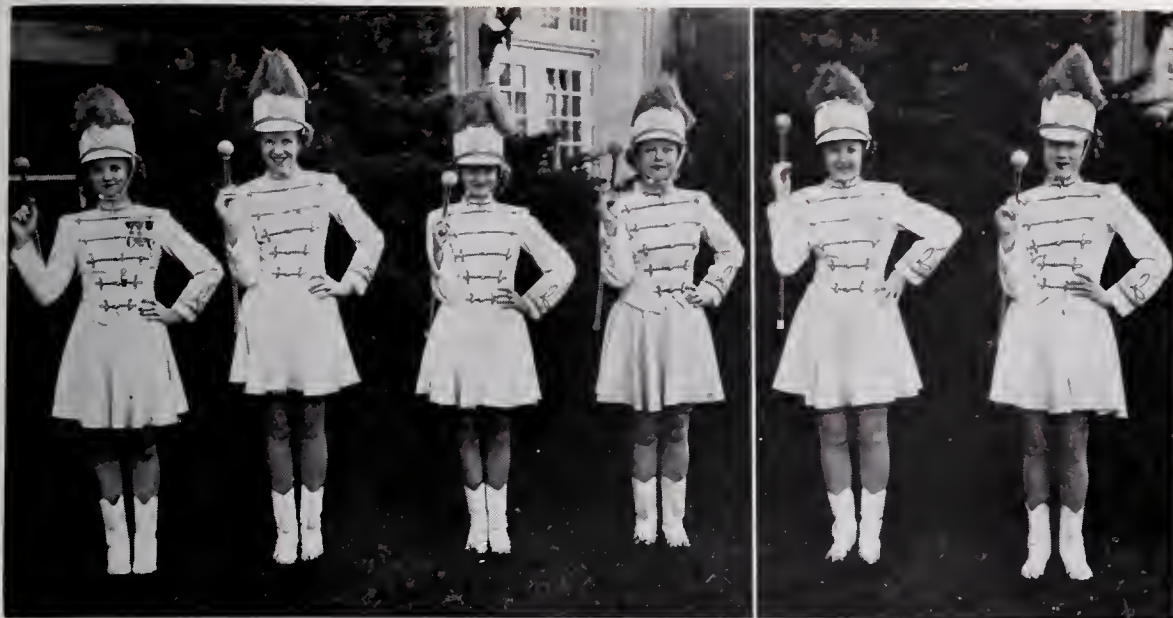
## Junior Band

The Junior Band is composed of students just beginning their musical activities. These thirteen boys and girls practice every Thursday morning with their instructor, Mr. Harold Leckrone. In Servia, Salem, and Liberty Mills there are twelve Junior Band members.

Back Row: Ronald Zimpleman, Mr. Leckrone, Dick Zimpleman.  
Seated: Wanda Miller, Charlotte Smith, Bonnie Wiley, Janene Meyer, Pat Leckrone, Fannie Esther Swihart, Carol Grossnickle, Max Cox, Jimmy Speicher, Carol Miller, Todd Hathaway.







## *Majorettes*

(Left to right) Virginia Brandenburg, Mary Ann Gogle, Jerry Barker, Doris Bucher, Barbara Schroll, Lois Hapner.

There are six majorettes who lead the band in their various formations at the ballgames. The five underclassmen made their first appearance with the band this year. Virginia has been a twirler for the past six years and has served as Drum Majorette the past three years.

## *Boys' Glee Club*

The Boys' Glee Club is composed of twenty-four boys from the high school grades. These boys practice with their director, Miss Bowen, every Wednesday morning.



3rd Row: Jesse Yentes, Kenneth Bucher, Bill Doster, Charles Gibbs, Charles Swihart, Marion Haggard, Morris Poer, Bob Walters.

2nd Row: Dorsey Rhoades, Max Marburger, Dick Brown, Bill Holloway, Jack Marburger, Jesse Yentes, John Rohrer.

1st Row: Larry Schenkel, Ted Spann, Russell Coppes, Don Mosher, Keith Cripe, Leon Ritenour, Melvin Speicher, Max Bucher, Lawrence Keaffaber, Miss Bernice Bowen.





## Girl's Glee Club

The Girls' Glee Club is composed of thirty-nine girls from grades ten, eleven, and twelve. The one weekly rehearsal is under the direction of Miss Bernice Bowen.

3rd Row: Carolyn Enyeart, Barbara Barker, Pauline Hippensteel, Catherine Cook, Jane Booher, Esther Frey, Glorea Grossnickle, Beverly Steller, Grace Anna Royer, Joan Zimpleman, Marie Betten, Trula Faye Penrod, Anita Schroll.  
 2nd Row: Mary Lois Fleck, Bonnie Frieden, Juanita Young, Marlene Schroll, Elizabeth Gump, Peggy Baker, Priscilla Kester, Sue Anger, Sylvia Young, Mary Louise Clark, Charlotte Wright, Mary Fettes, Agnes Sleighter.  
 1st Row: Pat Hathaway, Eunice Hatfield, Marilee Boyer, Gloria Vance, Ann Snively, Connie Spann, Jo Anne Leckrone, Virginia Brandenburg, Lois Cunningham, Betty Brandenburg, Coleen Warren, Darletta Cox, Janet Metzger, Doris Lefforge, Miss Bernice Bowen.

## Mixed Chorus

The Chester High School Mixed Chorus is composed of forty-five members, selected from the boys' and girls' glee clubs, under the direction of Miss Bernice Bowen. This group sang in the Fall and Spring Concerts, County Vocal Festival, District Contest and Baccalaureate Service.

Back Row: John Rohrer, Max Bucher, Bob Walters, Bill Doster, Charles Swihart, Marion Haggard, Melvin Speicher, Morris Poer, Kenneth Bucher.  
 3rd Row: Lawrence Keaffaber, Don Mosher, Keith Cripe, Bob Yentes, Leon Ritenour, Jack Marburger, Jesse Yentes, Max Marburger, Bill Holloway, Dick Brown, Joan Zimpleman.  
 2nd Row: Juanita Young, Marlene Schroll, Barbara Barker, Peggy Baker, Priscilla Kester, Pauline Hippensteel, Beverly Steller, Grace Anna Royer, Trula Faye Penrod, Sue Anger, Marie Betten, Sylvia Young, Mary Louise Clark.  
 1st Row: Miss Bernice Bowen, Pat Hathaway, Marilee Boyer, Gloria Vance, Ann Snively, Connie Spann, Jo Anne Leckrone, Virginia Brandenburg, Lois Cunningham, Betty Brandenburg, Coleen Warren, Darletta Cox, Janet Metzger, Doris Lefforge.







Pat Hathaway, Ann Snively, Mary Feters, Marlene Schroll, Miss Gongwer, Virginia Brandenburg, Glorea Grossnickle, Dora Betten, Betty Brandenburg, Marilee Boyer.

(Seated) Jane Boocher, Geneva Parsons.

## *Librarians*

The library is a place loved by everyone. Miss Gongwer, the librarian, has an efficient group who keep the newspapers and magazines in place. They help Susie and Henry find the wanted books and keep the back of the assembly in order.

## *Student Council*

The members of the student council are made up of class presidents. The group meet with Mr. Smith to discuss problems that arise here at school. They take charge of many activities that are carried on in the school. The members are as follows: Tom Dillman, Gary Walters, Harold Frieden, Wendell Meyer, Marilyn Leffel, and Jim Baker.



(Left to right): Jimmy Baker, Harold Frieden, Wendell Meyer, Marilyn Leffel, Gary Walters, Mr. Smith, Tom Dillman.





Seated: Billy Keaffaber, Lee Ray Auginbaugh, Larry Shenkel, Elliot Chamberlain, Ted Morford, Maurice Frieden, Jimmy Speicher, Dewayne Beery, Marcus Frieden, Donald Vance, Paul Graham, Larry Morford, Dick Shanahan.

Second Row: Mr. Scribner, Lawrence Keaffaber, Max Schilling, Bob Graham, Tom Airgood, Bob Littlefield, Robert Schumaker, Wendell Meyers, Bob Keaffaber, Larry Frye, Norman Chamberlain, Max Cunningham, Bill Finton.

Third Row: Russel Coppas, Jesse Yentes, Gary Walters, Ralph Bolinger, Max Bucher, Bob Snell, Melvin Speicher, Harold Frieden, Ronald Metzger.

Fourth Row: James Schumaker, Carl Bechtold, Richard Workman, Charles Gibbs, John Penrod, Jack Kissinger, John Rohrer, Kenneth Bucher, Keith Cripe.

## Boys 4-H

The 4-H club is a national organization of boys and girls interested in rural activities. This year about 55 boys are enrolled in the boy's 4-H in Chester Township. There are three clubs, the Salem Club, the Hustling Hay Seed Club and the Jr. Hustling Hay Seed Club. These clubs meet every two weeks during the summer at one of the member's homes or at the school building.

These boys are enrolled in beef, dairy, sheep, sow and litter, garden, corn, soy beans, rabbit and poultry projects. They receive much honor at the county and state fairs.

## Future Farmers

The Future Farmers of America is a national organization of high school boys studying vocational agriculture. The local chapter was organized in 1945 under the direction of Mr. Cecil Scribner, vocational agriculture teacher. The purpose of the organization is to develop on the part of the boys a challenge for better leadership, clearer thinking, co-operation, and the desire to be a better farmer. The boys meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month during the convocation period. Monthly evening meetings are also held during the school year and during the summer. At these meetings discussions of better farming practices are held or sometimes an outside speaker is brought in to discuss a topic of interest to farm boys.



Seated: Billy Keaffaber, Lee Ray Auginbaugh, Elliot Chamberlain, Tom Airgood, Larry Schenkel, Bob Littlefield Ted Frieden, Bob Graham, Norman Chamberlain, Max Schilling, Max Cunningham.

Second Row: Mr. Scribner, Dick Paul, Gary Walters, Theron Rupley, Charles Fleck, Bob Snell, Melvin Speicher, Charles Little, Bill Holloway, Stanley Schnepf, Mr. Smith.

Third Row: Jesse Yentes, John Rohrer, James Schumaker, Richard Workman, Charles Gibbs, John Penrod, Jack Kissinger, Harold Frieden, Ronald Metzger, Keith Cripe, Ralph Bolinger.



(Top row; left to right): Norma Graham, Anita Schroll, Ann Snavelly, Sylvia Young, Carol Littlefield, Beverly Steller, Doris Gibbs, Esther Frey, Carol Gump, Mary Ann Gugle, Patsy Hack, Geneva Ann Parson, Gail Ritenour.

(Second row): Mrs. Lytle, Phyllis Bechtold, Juanita Young, Beverly Schroll, Lois Hapner, Barbara Schroll, Sara Jane Felter, Norma Frey, Lois Cunningham, Virginia Brandenburg, Marlene Schroll, Colleen Warren, Carol Walls, Elizabeth Gump, Doris Bucher.

(Bottom row): Sandra Clark, Phyllis Metzger, Dorothy Lefforge, Joyce Berkhart, Helen Penrod, Marilyn Grossnickle, Lulubelle Penrod, Bonnie Wiley, Dorothy Airgood, Anna Mae Helvey, Phyllis Parson, Carol Marshall, Barbara Marshall, Jerry Barker.



## Girls 4-H

There are seven clubs in Chester Township: Chester Senior Worthwhile, president, Ann Snavelly; Chester Junior Worthwhile, president, Barbara Schroll; Salem Happy Hustlers, president, Anita Schroll; Servia Happy Homemakers, president, Marlene Schroll; Liberty Mills, president, Norma Graham; Central Senior, president, Jean Ryan; Central Junior, president, Sally Johnson.

There were eighty-three who enrolled and seventy who completed their work. There were thirteen first year, nine third year, and five fifth year pins received and one ten year locket was awarded. The clubs were supervised by Miss Stone, now Mrs. Louis Dale. Mrs. Lytle now has charge of the 4-H work.

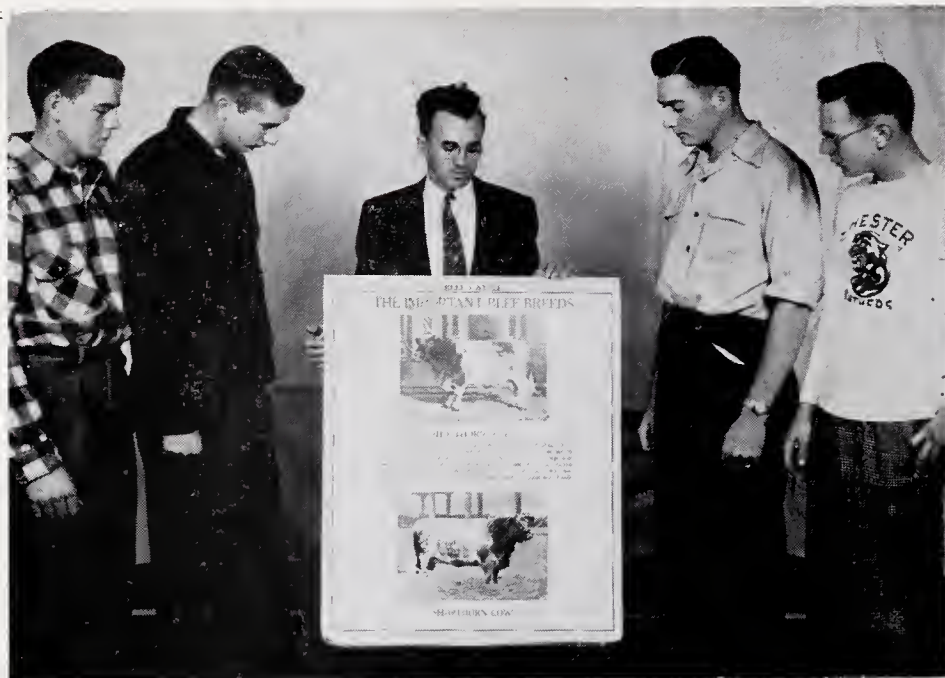
## Poultry Judging

The poultry judging team had a very successful beginning year. They placed second in the District Contest which gave them the right to compete in the Purdue Round-up. At Purdue the team received fourth prize and the right to judge at the State Fair where they won first place. At the Atlantic Seaboard Exposition in Richmond, Virginia, the team placed third in the 4-H group. Then the team received an invitation to judge at the International Livestock Show, and they placed sixth in that. The team was composed of John Rohrer, Charles Fleck, Dick Workman, and Gary Walters.



(Left to right): Two unidentified judges, Dick Workman, John Rohrer, Charles Fleck, Gary Walters, Walter Penrod, Jr.





## *Dairy Judging Team*

Any 4-H member may belong to the Dairy Judging Team. The main activity in this organization is the practical application of knowledge of what constitutes a good dairy cow. Our team this year did not have the luck enjoyed by the other judging teams, because they lost in the county contest.

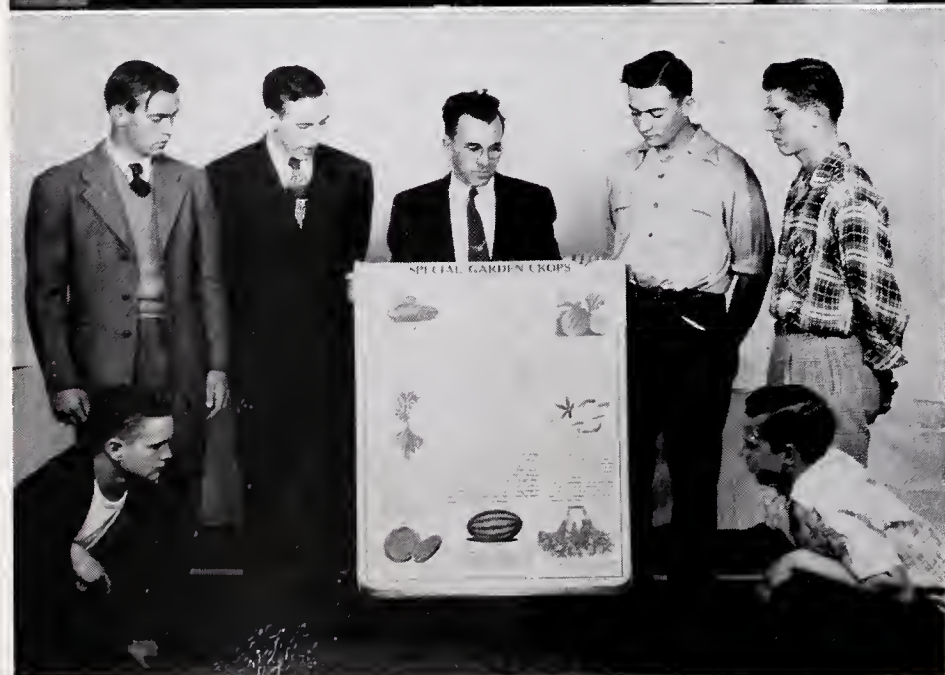
(Left to right) Charles Fleck, Norman Chamberlain, Mr. Scribner, John Rohrer, Gary Walters, Dick Workman.



## *Livestock Judging Team*

The livestock team this year was made up of the following boys: Robert Burch, Jack Kissinger, John Penrod, Ronald Metzger, Robert Little, and Harold Frieden. The team placed second in the County, first in the District, second in the Purdue Round Up, and eleventh at the State Fair.

(Left to right): Ronald Metzger, Jack Kissinger, Mr. Scribner, Harold Frieden.



## *Vegetable Judging Team*

The Vegetable Judging Team is a comparatively new organization. They study all about pests and different diseases that affect vegetables. The team has been judging for only two years. This year they placed 28th out of 106 teams in the State which put them in the top bracket.

(Left to right): Norman Chamberlain, Bill Holloway, Robert Walters, Mr. Scribner, John Penrod, Charles Fleck, Bob Graham.



## *School Help*



### **BUS DRIVERS**

(Left to right): Wayne Collett, Kenneth Miller, Paul Baker, Ralph Warren, Paul Shanahan, Lloyd Heeter, Harold Cripe, Dorsey Metzger.

Chester's pride and joy was the two new busses, waiting to begin a great life of service hauling Chester students to and from school. Lloyd (Red) Heeter and Ralph Warren are the drivers of the new busses. We are also proud of our seven other able drivers.

We salute our bus drivers of Chester Township for their fine handling of our students.

### **SCHOOL COOKS**

(Left to right): Mrs. Lytle, Mrs. Richards, Mrs. Wall, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Beigh.

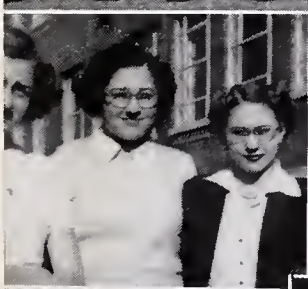
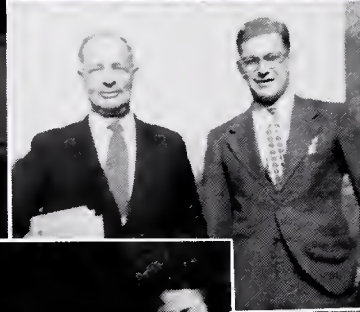
Recently a hot lunch program was started here at school. This called for someone who could cook, and Chester was very fortunate in hiring some very good cooks. Even though hot lunches are just getting started, most of the students get plenty to eat, and are satisfied with what they get.

### **CUSTODIAN**

Mr. Vance.

We are able to say that we have one of the best kept buildings around. This is because of the excellent way our school has been kept clean. We owe this fact to Mr. Vance and his helpers who have done a fine job this year.













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## *Principal*

### **Mr. Jason J. Smith**

Mr. Smith has been our principal for five years. It has been through his untiring efforts and leadership that we have been able to advance. We hope that as we leave these halls of learning we may carry some of his teachings with us. He received his schooling at Ball State Teacher's College, where he received his B. S. degree, and at Indiana University, where received his M.S. degree. He teaches the Senior Government Class.



## *Trustee*

### **Mr. Karl L. Ulmer**

Much credit must be given our trustee for making Chester a better school. During the three years that he has served in the capacity of trustee, he has proved that he is interested in nothing but the best for Chester High School.





## *School Clerk*

### **Maxine Yentes**

During the past six years, Chester has been fortunate in having such a reliable school clerk. Her friendly manner and driving initiative are the characteristics that make her so well liked at Chester.



## *Advisory Board*

The members of the Advisory Board are the elected representatives of the people of Chester Township. For their untiring interest in our school and its functions, we express our appreciation.



## *County Superintendent*

### **Mr. C. L. Vandegrift**

During his twelve years as superintendent of the schools of Wabash County, Mr. Vandegrift has done much to raise the standing of our school. He received the Bachelor's Degree from Manchester College and the Master's Degree from Ball State.



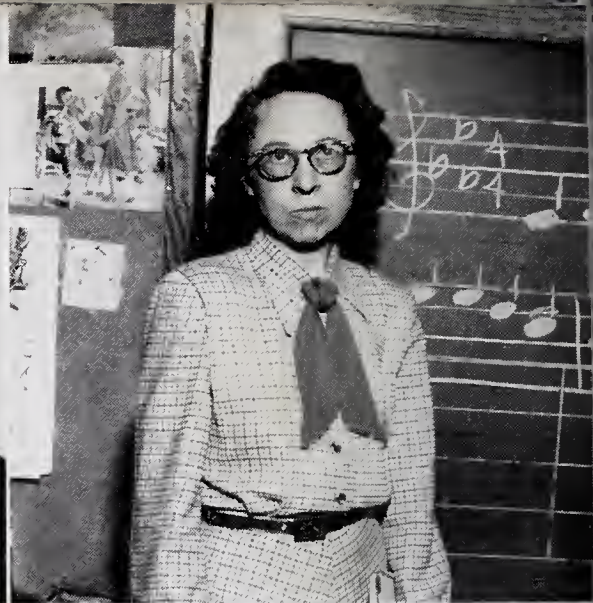


**Bernice Bowen**

Manchester College, B. S.  
Cincinnati Conservatory, In-  
diana Central College.

Music and Art.

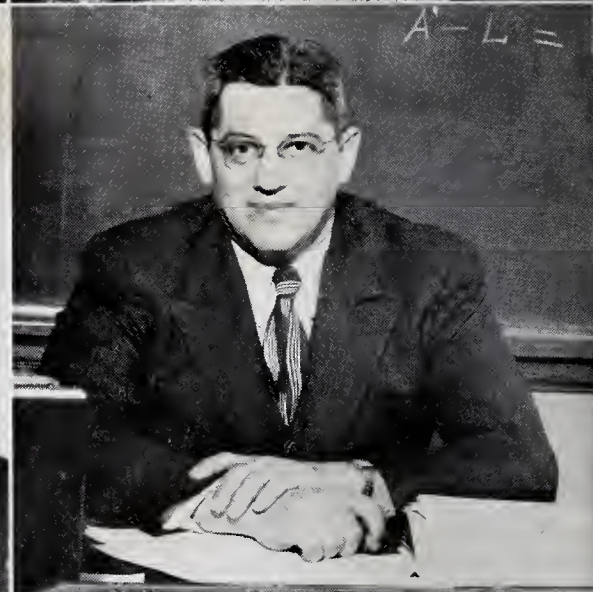
"That's better, we'll take it  
clear through this time."



**Wayne Dilling**

Manchester College, A. B.  
Commerce

"This is a one-minute timed  
writing—go!"



**Ida Eshelman**

Manchester College, A. B.  
English.

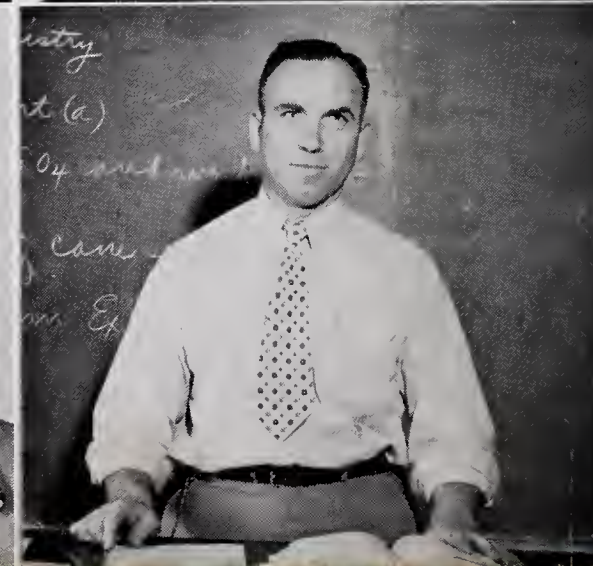
"Time will tell."



**Gerold Faudree**

Manchester College, A. B.  
Science, Basketball Coach.

"See if you can balance  
this equation."







**Paul Faudree**

Manchester College  
History, Health and Safety,  
Mathematics, Baseball and  
Track Coach.

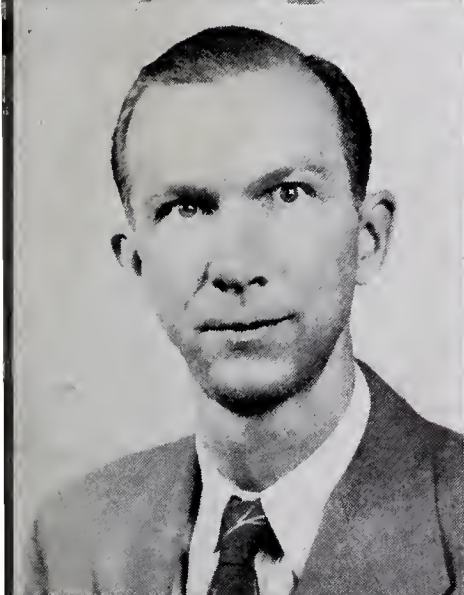
"Ye gad."



**Betty Gongwer**

Manchester College, A. B.  
English

"So fourth and so fifth."



**Harold Leckrone**

Manchester College, B. S.  
Music, Instrumental

"Key, look at your key!"



**Mrs. Lois Lytle**

Manchester college, B. S.  
Home Ec. and Physical Ed.

"Now, did I tell you this, or  
was it the other class?"



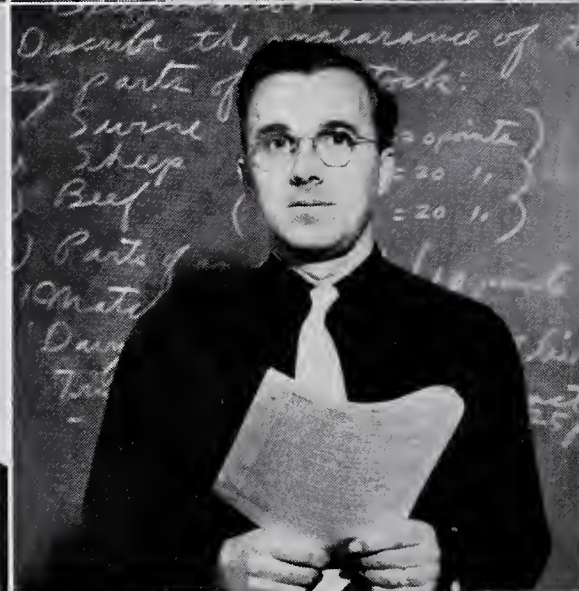
**Gale E. Metzger**

Manchester College, A. B.  
Social Studies, Latin, Health  
'Now our kids . . .'



**Cecil Scribner**

State Teachers College River  
Falls, Wis., B. A. E., Purdue In-  
tensive Units  
Vocational Agriculture, Gen-  
eral Science.  
'You birds.'



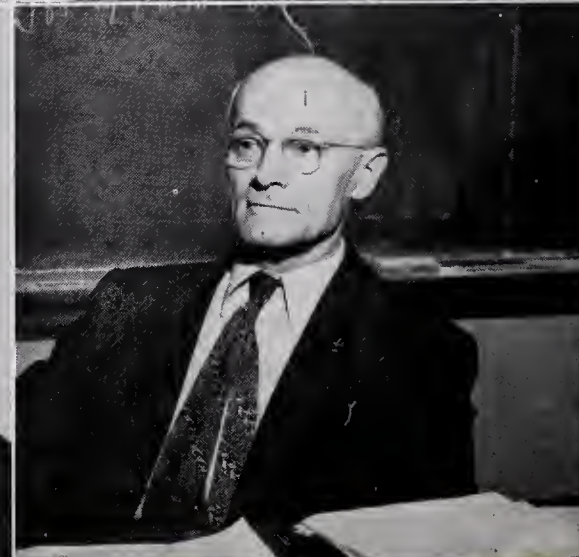
**John I. Searer**

Manchester College, A. B.  
Goshen College  
History, Mathematics  
'When I was in Wakaru-  
sa . . .'

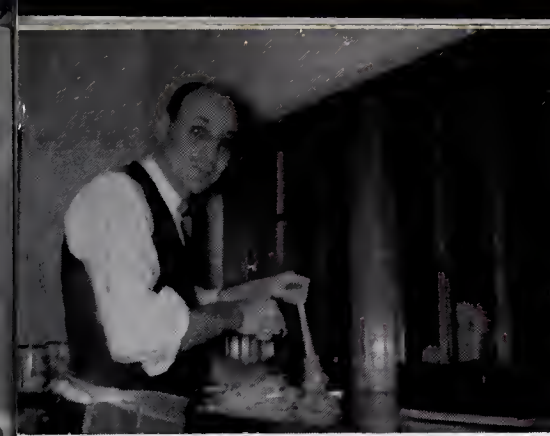


**Lee Weimer**

Manchester College, A. B.,  
Ball State M. S.  
Mathematics  
'Pass.'











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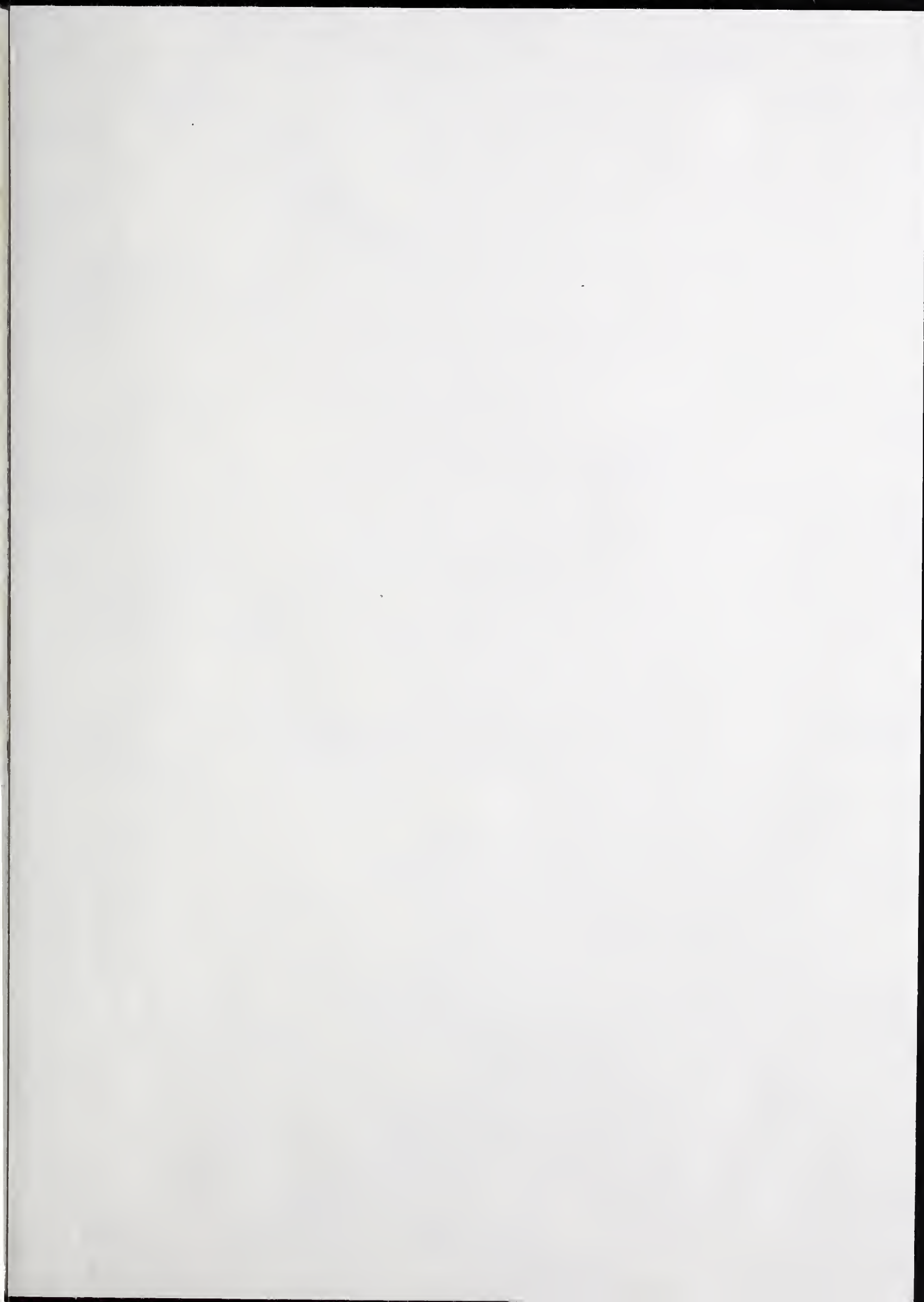
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